

April 17, 1958

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REC-42

[Redacted]
4835 Van Nuys Boulevard
Van Nuys, California

Dear [Redacted]

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It was a pleasure to receive your letter of April 8,
and I certainly appreciate your generous comments concerning
"Masters of Deceit."

I thought you would like to know that the idea of
printing a pocketbook edition has previously been brought to the
attention of the publishers, and I am sure appropriate consideration
will be afforded in this regard.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Bufiles contain no identifiable data on [Redacted] in California.

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- Holloman _____
- Gandy _____

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[Redacted]
4835 VAN NUYS BOULEVARD
VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Boardman
- Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Nease
- Mr. Parsons
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Trotter
- Mr. Clayton
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Holloman
- Miss Gandy

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April 8, 1958

J. Edgar Hoover
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

As an American citizen, thanks to you for your timely, factual, and revealing book "Masters of Deceit". In the hands and minds of people everywhere who turn to truth and justice, it will serve as another two-edged sword of truth to fight communism, the greatest evil of our time.

In the interests of rapidly spreading the information in this book, I look forward to the time when your publishers will present it in a "pocket edition" form at a reduced purchase price thus making it completely available to people of any income.

Sincerely yours,

[Redacted Signature]

PRK: jr

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April 16, 1958

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EX - 123

LAVER SCOTT

[Redacted]

1538 Redondo Avenue
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear [Redacted]

Thank you very much for your kind note of April 10 expressing appreciation for the copy of "Masters of Deceit." I am grateful for your thoughtful comments in this regard, and, of course, I am always pleased to hear from you and your sons.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

FBI

NOTE: Copy of the book was autographed for [Redacted] on March 19, 1958.

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[Signature]

1538 Redondo
Salt Lake Ci
April 10, 19

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Nease	✓
Mr. Parsons	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Trotter	
Mr. Clayton	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

[Handwritten signature]

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I want to thank you for your thoughtful consideration in sending us a copy of your new book, Masters of Deceit. It is such a timely subject for the uninformed to have an opportunity to learn more about. I am sure it will fill a great need.

My sons are quite proud of our shelf of autographed first editions. A nice part of them have been received from you. We do appreciate your interest.

is still planning to reach Washington and the F.B.I. in the not too distant future. He and his prospective bride hope to graduate from our University of Utah by the New Year and are anxiously awaiting the time.

The boys join me in sending our best regards.

Sincerely yours,

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APR 22 1958

CRIME RECORDS
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE:

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Page A3358, Congressman Hemphill, (D) South Carolina, extended his remarks to include an editorial from the Camden Chronicle of April 9, 1958, entitled "The Red Menace." It is stated in the editorial "J. Edgar Hoover's new book, Masters of Deceit, carries the subtitle of 'The Story of Communism in America and How To Fight It,' and surely no one in America is better equipped to write such a book because no man is more familiar with the story." The editorial also states "What can the individual do about the danger? Mr. Hoover's answer is 'a lot.' He must know the answers to communism's false claims. If what appears to be subversive activity comes to his attention he should report it, sticking to the facts, to the nearest FBI office—and the FBI, incidentally, is as much interested in protecting civil rights, including the right to hold unpopular opinions, as it is in combating those who would destroy us."

Original filed in: 61-1131-1489

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24 APR 30 1958

In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for 4/11/58 was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that portions of a copy of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau case or subject matter files.

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April 18, 1958

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EX-123

[Redacted]
3985 Detroit Street
Dearborn, Michigan

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Dear [Redacted]

I have received your letter of April 10, 1958, and certainly appreciate your writing as you did relative to my book, "Masters of Deceit."

Your generous remarks concerning this Bureau are indeed encouraging. In connection with your comment regarding the printing of my book in a pocket edition, I thought you would like to know that this matter has previously been brought to the attention of the publishers and I am sure appropriate consideration will be afforded this idea.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Mr. Tolson	✓
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Mr. Belmont	
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Mr. Nease	✓
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Mr. Holloman	
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3985 Detroit St.
Dearborn, Michigan ✓
April 10, 1958

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
Director of F. B. I.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have been prompted to write you after reading an article by George Sokolsky in which he defends you and your new book against one J. B. Oakes of the N. Y. Times. I have not, as yet, read your book, since I'm on waiting list at the library; however, I would like you to count me as a "fan" of yours.

Several years ago I read Whittaker Chamber's book and that reawakened me to the danger of Communism here as well as abroad. If one didn't have the peace of mine gained from knowing you and your staff are alert to these dangers, why, you'd go nuts from frustration.

I remember a time when my Dad reported a suspected Communist to the FBI, about 1943 or so, and he was told they had their eye on him. I was only about 15 years old then, but it made a lasting impression on me and gave me a secure feeling. Now that I am 14 years older, thought, I have learned, to my horror, of the apathy and ignorance of so many people regarding this danger.

As an individual I can do little to fight this insidious "disease," but wanted to send you my thanks. I do hope your book will come out in pocket size and that you will, some day, perhaps have a speaking tour and come to Detroit.

Sincerely,

[Redacted signature box]

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APR 14 1958

3985 Detroit St.
Dearborn Michigan
April 10, 1958

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Director of FBI.
Washington, DC.

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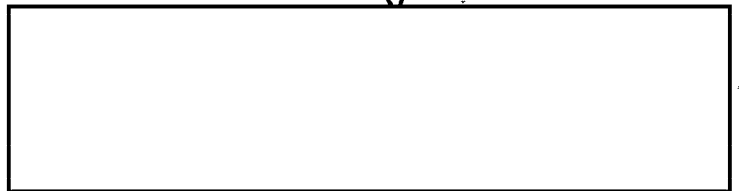
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Sincerely,

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April 18, 1958

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EX-108

[Redacted]

108 Grove Street
Yonkers 3, New York

Dear Mr. Roedels:

Your letter dated April 12, 1958, has been received in Mr. Hoover's absence from Washington, and I am acknowledging it for him.

I know that Mr. Hoover would want me to thank you for your interest in forwarding your observations and for your kind comments concerning his administration of the activities of the FBI. Enclosed is some material which you might like to read.

Sincerely yours,

Helen W. Gandy
Secretary

- Enclosures (6)
- How to Fight Communism
- Where Do We Stand Today With Communism in the United States.
- Struggle on a New Plane
- Communist "New Look" a Study in Duplicity
- Breaking the Communist Spell
- God and Country or Communism?

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NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. In view of the tenor of his communication, it is believed advisable to forward an in-absence reply.

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108 Grove St
Yonkers 3 NY
April 12/58

Mr. J Edgar Hoover
FBI, Washington D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The one real blessing this country has is that you have been and are the head of the FBI.

It is too bad that the rest of the various government departments are not operated on the same efficiency with people dedicated to the good of the country.

Are not people like Walter Reuther and the tactics ^{KS} he uses and the arrogance he assumes. Very much on what we might expect from communists.

Your expose of the plans of the communists, in your book, seem to be the pattern employed by Walter Reuther.

We are free ? to elect our representatives ? but what do we get when they get in office? You say the Russians confiscate every thing at one full sweep. Here our possessions are confiscated piece meal. a possessor of some property, the energetic and prosperous, the successful enterprises are badgered and bullied and taxed and held up to ridicule to cater for the votes of the have nots who with the aid of petty politicians of both parties will drive enterprise out of existence. Is a slow death better than a quick one ~~communistic style?~~

Dont the people whom you designate in your book, who would be wiped out under communism realize their danger?

Thank you Mr Hoover for your great efforts in the behalf of law abiding citizens.

What a great country we could be if we had more J Edgar Hoovers to guide our destinies.

May the Good Lord keep you with us a long long time.

Sincerely

[Redacted Signature]

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april 12/58

Mr. Edgar Hoover
F.B.I. Washington DC

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Thank you Mr Hoover for your great efforts in the behalf of law abiding citizens

What a great country we could be if we had more of Edgar Hoover to guide our destinies.

May the Good Lord keep you with us a long long time.
Sincerely



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April 16, 1958

REC-79
EX-126

[Redacted]

Saint Francis DeSales Rectory
Benedict, Maryland

Dear [Redacted]

One of our Agents mentioned the very fine sermon which you delivered at the 8:00 o'clock Mass on Sunday, April 13, 1958, at Saint Francis DeSales Church, and I wanted to drop you this note to thank you for your kindness in bringing my book, "Masters of Deceit," to the attention of your parishioners. You may be sure I am most grateful for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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APR 16 1958
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APR 16 1958
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NOTE: Rememo from Mr. Tamm to Mr. Tolson dated 4-14-58, captioned [Redacted] Saint Francis DeSalles Catholic Church, Benedict, Maryland." FFF:hrc Spelling of Church name per telephone directory.

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63 APR 24 1958

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: 4-14-58

FROM : Q. Tamm

SUBJECT:

[Redacted]

SAINT FRANCIS DE SALLES CATHOLIC CHURCH
BENEDICT, MARYLAND

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SA [Redacted] supervisor, Training and Inspection Division, attended the 8:00 a.m. Mass at Saint Francis DeSalles Catholic Church, Benedict, Maryland, on Sunday, 4-13-58. [Redacted] gave the sermon.

The theme propounded by [Redacted] was "Peace" - peace in the home, peace in the parish, religious peace, peace in the factories and peace among nations. He pointed out that the Communists and their unsuspecting "tools" are a menace to peace.

It was apparent that [Redacted] gathered some of his material from the recently published book, "Masters of Deceit," when he explained the disruptive influences of Communism. To substantiate his viewpoints, he referred his parishioners to the book written by Director J. Edgar Hoover, "Masters of Deceit."

Action: For information only.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON ✓

DATE: April 18, 1958

FROM : G. A. NEASE *GA*

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- Parsons _____
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- Nease _____
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- Holloman _____
- Gandy _____

SUBJECT:

NH ✓ Mr. McGuire this afternoon was telephonically advised by Nelson Schrader, who has been handling the promotion of the Director's book among contacts of [redacted] that the Garroway "Today" program expects to have a very favorable review of the Director's book "Masters of Deceit" either Monday or Tuesday, April 21 or 22. As soon as this is more definitely pinned down, Schrader will let us know.

We will have the Garroway program monitored Monday and Tuesday.

cc-Mr. Jones
 cc-Mr. Murphy
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EX - 123

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April 18, 1958

[Redacted]

25 Twomey Court
South Boston 27, Massachusetts

Dear

[Redacted]

62-104277-489

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It was indeed thoughtful of you to write on April 14, 1958, and comment so favorably on my book, "Masters of Deceit." I am grateful for your kindness in this regard, and your comments on the communist menace in this country are appreciated. I hope you enjoy the serialization of the book in your newspaper.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Boardman	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
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Mr. Nease	_____
Mr. Parsons	_____
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Mr. Tamm	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Mr. Clayton	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

[Handwritten signature]

April 14th. '58.

77276

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover.

Washington, DC.

Dear Mr. Hoover.

We want to thank you for allowing a local newspaper to write Masters of Deceit, which is being published daily. We Navy wives must save our pennies much as possible, and we had been putting away pennies every time we shopped, and got change, with the idea of finally buying book, and I being oldest of a bunch of girls, was to read book first than pass it on down the line, so you will understand why we are all grateful to you.

My husband knows how we planned to buy book, this way, I can save the daily paper, then mail to him once a week, he will enjoy it just as well. His ship is away now.

We have a great admiration for the F.B.I. as when I was working, being back of hotel desk, many times I have come in contact with your men, and when asked to not mention my name, they ALWAYS kept their word. So I write with experience of your great work. Both my husband and self, have a hatred of the American born Commie, and cannot ever understand, WHY they want to turn against the greatest Country in the world. Don't you ever ask yourself this question Mr. Hoover? Even educated people.

Again thanking you, and God be with you all in this difficult work you are doing, we always remember you and your whole Force in our daily Prayers.

[Redacted address line]

25. Tromey Ct.,

So. Boston 27, MASS.

[Redacted address line]

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ack 4/18/58
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. Nease *HN*

DATE: April 17, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones *MAJ*

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SUBJECT:
POST OFFICE BOX 727
INDIANAPOLIS 6, INDIANA

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M.A. Jones
Hgen

A letter was received from captioned individual on April 14, 1958. He stated that he had read "Masters of Deceit" and thought it was a good book for innocent beginners but that a lot was missing which ought to have been brought out for advanced informed people. He then launched into a tirade against the Justice Department and the government in general. Our Indianapolis Office advised in 1953 that House had complained to them on a number of occasions, that House distributes pamphlets critical of this country's monetary system and further that he was planning to come to Washington to testify before the Jenner Committee and that he planned to have an audience with Director Hoover. It was not known why he thought he was going to testify before the Jenner Committee, and there is no record that he called on the Director. (105-0-4937) Bufile 105-4786 contains a communication indicating that there was some question as to House's mental stability.

In his current letter he enclosed a communication which attacks the Federal Income Tax as facism (presumably fascism).

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the nature of this correspondence, it is recommended that no acknowledgment be afforded House.

Enclosures (2)

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23 APR 22 1958

EX-110

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Jules de Berg April 18, 1958

J. de Berg

MRS
Mr. Jules F. de Berg
25 Fifth Avenue
New York 3, New York

Dear Mr. de Berg:

REC-78

62-104277-491

I have received your letter of April 12, 1958, and certainly appreciate [redacted] and your interest in commenting so generously regarding "Masters of Deceit."

Your remarks concerning this Bureau and my direction of its activities are truly encouraging, and I do hope that we may continue to merit your support.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: A communication from the Office of Censorship in 1944 referred to correspondent as a retired economist who claims wide acquaintance with influential people. (65-16273-2684 X)

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EX-135

Jules de Berg
25 Fifth Avenue
New York 3, N. Y.

April 12, 1958

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Nease	
Mr. Parsons	
Mr. Rosen	
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Tele. Room	
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Miss Gandy	

[Handwritten signature/initials over routing slip]

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
Director of the Federal Bureau
of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

[redacted] and I have just read your "Masters of Deceit" and think it a most praiseworthy volume: edifying, and written with a directness and simplicity which can be understood by all who can read and comprehend. It should be read by everyone.

We have admired your high standards and your tireless efforts in the cause of justice for many years and often wonder how you have accomplished so much in the curtailment of crime and the detection of those vile creatures, the Reds.

We have ordered another book at Cooperstown so that that may be on hand, up there where we loan it to friends who will be as pleased as we were.

Cordially yours

/s/ J. de Berg

Addendum

[redacted] is one of your best proponents in detection and vigilance. She has an uncanny memory and a rare gift for judging personality. If she sees - just once - a person (even Chinese or colored or oriental or American) she can identify that person in disguise 10 years later. She sees many she suspects but merely alerts for some evidence. J. de B.

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ack 4-18-58
JBS*

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Jules de Berg
25 Fifth Avenue
New York 3, N. Y.

April 17, 1958.

John Edgar Hoover
Director of the Federal Bureau
of Investigation
Washington DC

Masters of Deceit

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Cordially yours

J. de Berg

John 8/4

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Addendum

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April 21, 1958

[Redacted]

912 Sunnyside Avenue 2-E
Chicago 40, Illinois

Dear [Redacted]

67-1041277-492

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Your kind letter of April 14, 1958, has been received, and I want to thank you for your generous comments regarding my book, "Masters of Deceit." Your thoughtfulness in making your observations known to me is deeply appreciated, and you may be sure that consideration is being given by the publisher to a paper-bound edition of the book sometime in the future.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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April 14, 1958

Dear Mr. Hoover

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I want to thank you for all you have done for all of us, and for our beloved country; despite the many worries and heartaches you have to endure, you go on bravely and gloriously!

As a teacher, I am proud to have a first edition of your new book. But I regret the fact that in our school library there is but one copy, which has been in the hands of one person for two weeks and perhaps for a secondary reason, besides common interest.

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Also, as these are general written in a less scholarly fashion, of an appeal - such as those which do have a mystery story appeal - these should be in school libraries in quantities. There is a dearth of such books and I feel as though it is deliberate. Perhaps I am wrong.

One copy only of your book has been purchased for a school of over 3000.

So far, not a student has had
a chance to see it.

The F.B.I. book is now
available for 50¢ in a paper
bound edition. This is
good!

Please do have your research
department make a report
and see for yourself how
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young America on this im-
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and then to conquer youth.

Can you not do something
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which will be available,
and which you recommend?
Sincerely yours

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Do you realize Mr. Hoover how very naive the high school student is concerning the grave threat to our American way of life? Our school libraries do not feature, nor do they promote reading which would awaken youth; and many history teachers are poorly informed, or else indifferent. "The pen is mightier than the sword," and it seems that it would be good sense to condense such books a yours and biographies and autobiographies which tell the tale of communism so well - and re-write them for the high school and college student so as to tell the tale without delay - for the enjoyment and enlightenment of the average and the low average I. Q. , because these are the people who are in the majority in our high schools.

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The F. B. I. book is now available for 50¢ in a paper bound edition. This is good!

Please do have your research department make a survey and see for yourself how poor we are in informing young America in this important matter of the menace to America, and awakening youth to the

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5416 Just St. N.W.
Washington, D.C.
April 15, 1956

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover -
[Redacted] and I
have just received a copy
of your new book which
you so graciously auto-
graphed, and we wish
to convey our thanks to
you for your kindness in
doing so.

I know we will
derive much pleasure
and information from
reading this book.

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Sincerely,
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Union Pacific Railroad Company
1416 Dodge Street
Omaha, Nebraska

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Dear [Redacted]

I am sorry I was absent from the city when you telephoned my office yesterday. However, I did want you to know I deeply appreciate your kind comments and I hope your visit in Washington was enjoyable.

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

Address for Union Pacific Railroad Company per telephone directory for Omaha, Nebraska.

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9:31AM April 17, 1958

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telephoned locally.

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asked whether "Masters of Deceit" was available in local book Stores. He was told it was. He explained that he had had difficulty obtaining a copy in his home town of Omaha, Nebraska.

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then pointed out that he was employed in the Department of Justice as a Special Assistant in the Anti-Trust Division at the time Mr. Hoover was appointed Director of the Bureau. He is now associated with the Union Pacific Railroad in Omaha.

During the conversation [Redacted] praised the Director most highly. [Redacted] stated it is his hope that the Director will continue to enjoy God's blessing and guidance.

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was thanked for calling; told the Director was out of the city but that the Director would be advised of his kind comments.

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is staying at the Raleigh Hotel, however, plans to leave early this afternoon to return to Omaha.

Bureau files reflect [Redacted] has been in contact with the Bureau on a number of occasions over the years. There has been cordial correspondence with him.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
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5416 First St., N.E.,
Washington, D. C.
April 15, 1956

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
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Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover -

[redacted] and I have just received
a copy of your new book which you so graciously
autographed, and we wish to convey our thanks to you
for your kindness in doing so.

I know we will derive much pleasure
and information from reading the book.

Sincerely,

[redacted signature]

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S. R. HOUSE
P. O. BOX 727
INDIANAPOLIS 8, IND.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Just finished reading your book, entitled: MASTERS OF DECEIT: It is a good book for the innocent beginners. However, there is a lot missing which ought to have been brought out for advanced INFORMED people that THINK they know the whole story.

What worries me is that our own Government Justice Dept. does not clean up these TRAITORS in our own country, BEFORE it is too late. Freedom in our country does not mean that they should be free to DESTROY OUR CONSTITUTION, and way of life which has advanced a better way farther than any Govt, in past. Enclosed find a little folder of my own. (over)



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NOW YOU CAN OWN A PAID-FOR EARTH AND CEMENT HOME

SOLAR SUN HEATED

Ages ago, we learn from the Bible, before the dawn of civilization, man took the things of nature as he found them. In his early state, without tools or machines, he used his hands, in the manner of a wasp that constructs his nest of Mother Earth, and built his first home, and thousands of these places are standing today which are mentioned in the Bible.

The savage, (so called) lived upon berries, nuts, fruits and vegetables that he could garner with his hands. The Bible informs us that some of these "savages" lived to the ripe old age of 300 to 900 years. Natural homes and natural foods were their mode of living. They were healthy, strong and wise.

Much of the lost art of the "savages" has been learned from the Bible, and scientific excavations all over the world. The first Earth homes, in essence, can be compared to our first autos, and the vast improvements of today's beauty in autos to the most beautiful and servicable homes being built today. They are built of Earth. Some states have more than others. Indiana is out in front of most eastern states in number of Earth Homes.

One of the oldest Earth Buildings which is in excellent condition, is a church in Los Angeles, (see illustration, center column) built before Columbus landed. This church is now used for a Boys' School. Many Missions in California are other good examples of the long lasting qualities of Earth buildings of all kinds. Hundreds of other structures over one hundred years old are scattered throughout the United States.

With the aid of tools man can now add beauty by simple, easy methods on the do-it-yourself plan and have a paid-for small home or mansion built with his own hands.

In the past ten years, Earth Homes have been built ranging from a cottage for \$300 to a truly beautiful 3-bedroom Earth Home costing \$1,900 up to as



EARTH CHURCH

much as you like to add in artistic beauty.

Modern Earth Homes are termite-proof, fireproof, storm-proof, low-cost and healthy because the interior is dry. Also, sun-heated hot houses for growing food of all kinds are now being installed.

Housewives can use a basket, pick the vegetables and fruit, rinse them a little then place them on the table while they are tender plants with no preservatives or bug sprays on them! When they are still very tender on the vine cooking is unnecessary. A Garden of Eden, if you please, right here on earth and freedom without fear. This is what we hear so much about, but see and enjoy so little, until now.

Earth Buildings have been built sufficiently strong to support the heaviest factory machinery. In Arabia, there are whole towns, with 10 and 12 story Earth Buildings that are thousands of years old, standing today! In Australia, the government fosters Earth Homes and hundreds are being built.

Repairs are rarely needed. Cement

and sand paint is used which costs but little — any color. Window frames are no longer used. Plate glass is set directly into the wall. Metal doors are used, making each room fire-proof. Like the ancient Greeks, we are now building sunken bath-tubs made of cement, any color.

We cannot tell you all on one page, but true stories in our MAMMOTH CAVE HOME MAGAZINE as told by satisfied Earth Home owners, will convince the most skeptical about how "good" Earth Homes are.

INVESTIGATE!

To look is one thing, to see what you look at is another. To understand what you see is another step forward. To learn from what you understand gives knowledge. But to act on what you learn and understand is all that really counts.

The rare beauty of art built into bird nests is a good example of what man can do in building his own Earth Home. With ten years' experience and an all-out program informing the people about Earth Homes, it will not be long until Earth Homes will be leading the way in number of homes built.

Every home in our MAMMOTH CAVE HOME MAGAZINE is worth ten thousand words ... you see what they look like. Earth Home owners write how and why they like their home. Read what they say for yourself.

With a trial subscription of 2 issues, we will send you a free booklet entitled "HOW TO BUILD YOUR OWN HOME OF EARTH."

Great minds discuss "ideas," average minds discuss events, small minds discuss people. The "idea" of building from earth and removing the cause for mortgages will save those monthly payments for a rainy day and you will have more all the time. The Good-Earth for a home, instead of using your money is the "best idea."

PRINT your name and address and let us hear from you at once. This offer is good for 60 days only.

Enclose \$3.00

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MR. S. R. HOUSE
P.O. Box 727 Indianapolis 6, Ind.

Below: Cement and earth home can be built in spare time



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Skeptics, Step This Way

Earth Housing

In Southern Rhodesia in 1947, a private housing board was taken over and financed by the government. This board was asked by the government to put up as many houses as possible in the shortest time possible. No time to wait for material and finances to put up permanent dwellings. It must be something temporary, and the material used must be available immediately. The most abundant material on hand, and that which did not need to be imported, was dirt—just plain dirt. Thus was begun a scheme for the erection of hundreds of *pise de terre* houses, as they are called; the quickest answer to a desperate call.

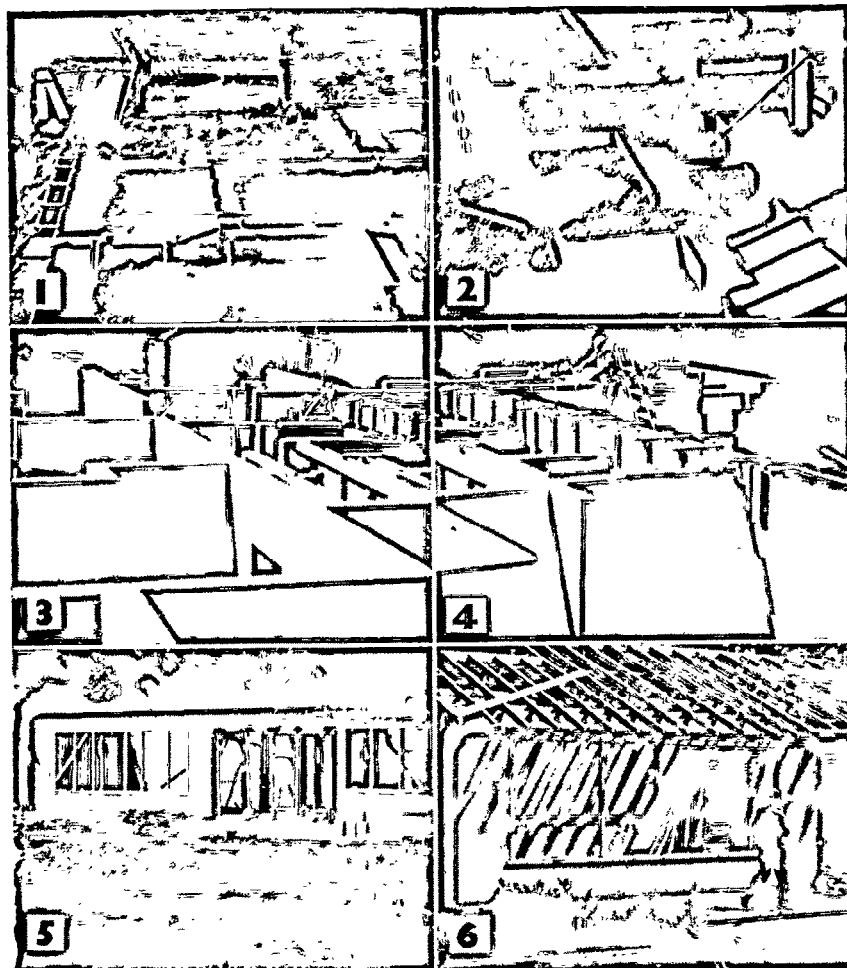
Those at the head of this board were public-spirited men, who energetically entered into this scheme. In fact, some of them even donned work clothes and shared in the erection of the first few houses. Much planning had to be done in a hurry. Sites had to be found in the most suitable centers of the colony. These sites had to be such that sewerage pipes could be easily connected with the city main. Streets had to be laid out. City water had to be considered. All this meant contending with the slow-moving municipal authorities.

Finally all this was done. Now the next step is to start building. First the concrete foundation is put in, probably for several houses at the same time. Then wooden frames are put up, and into these is poured moistened earth that is finally to make up the fourteen-inch walls of the house. As this dirt is poured in, hydraulic rammers keep ramming it until it becomes almost as hard as cement. In fact, more recently they have been sprinkling a small amount of cement in with the earth. As the walls go up, the door and window casements are put in.

At last the ramming is completed, the wooden frames removed and the walls gone over with a rough plaster. Now comes the usual laying of water pipes, wiring for electricity, and the painting. Most of the *pises* are painted sand, green or light blue, although some are white or some other color. The roofs, which are timber covered with thatch, aluminum or asbestos, display brilliant colors, such as bright red, green, etc.

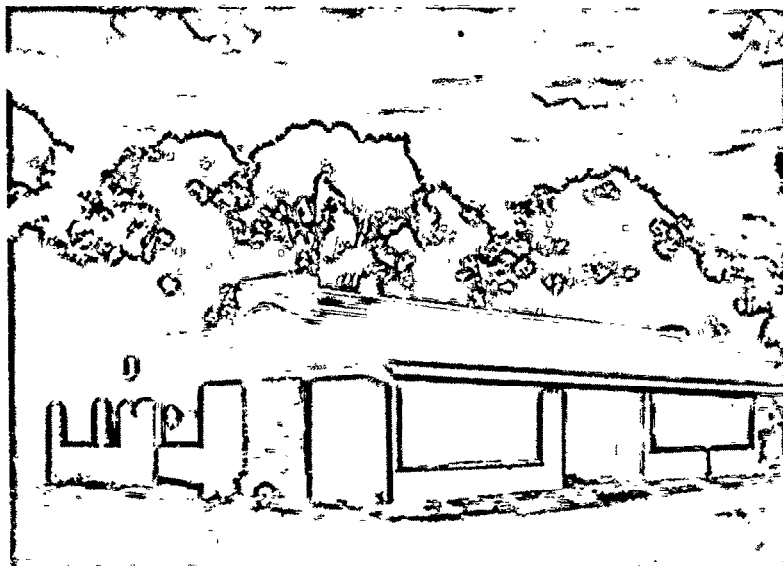
And so you have your house. Or, rather, 1,911 of them, as that is the number built from August 1947 to November 1949. In some places, such as Bulawayo, there were times when an average of one *pise* per day was going up. Since 1947 nine different types of *pises* have been built, each type being an improvement over the previous ones.

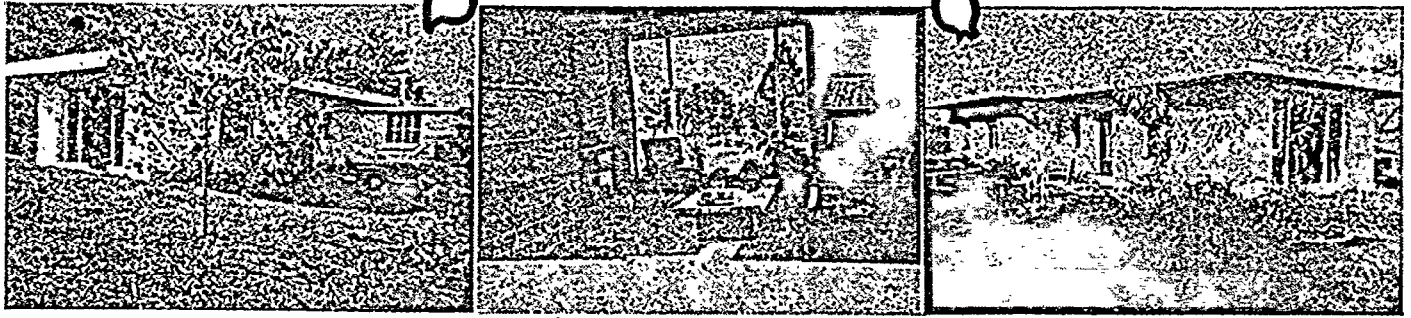
—From AWAKE, June, '50



Stages in construction. 1, Excavating black earth between foundations. 2, Foundations and spaces filled with large gravel. 3, Walls nearing completion. 4, Putting in concrete band on external walls. 5, Concrete beams over openings. 6, Commencement of roof.

WHAT OTHERS ACCOMPLISH





A FAMILY WITHOUT FEAR

(Notice to Editors: Cuts and story on Earth Homes can be obtained from author of this article, free. Picture above, left: west side of home. Center: looking from near fireplace in center of home through front large plate glass picture window, with highway in distance. Piano front left, television front right. Right: east side with utility on right, and a car port is now being added of Rammed Earth. Next year it is planned to add extra rooms making it a 10-room home. It now has two bedrooms. Weekend built, and cost \$2,250. BUT the entire roof is made of wood, which alone cost \$1,250. If cement had been used for roof his cost would have been about \$1,250 for present structure, including well with running water, bath and septic tank. Entire walls are of Rammed Earth. It blends into the landscape beautifully. Located in central Indiana.)

This home is now about 5 years old; and due to the thousands of people coming from far and wide to view it, they get mighty tired of showing people through; therefore I shall nickname them "Jack and Jill" to protect them from larger hordes.

When World War II came, Jack was attending high school, and he entered Air service, flying the Burma Hump for the duration. Upon his discharge he married his wife Jill, a former schoolyard student friend. A home to live in was their first FEAR - - their first trouble.

Homes and rentals then were scarce; they are hard to find now. Jack talked and inquired of friends, and finally Jill's grandmother told them about earth homes. They got busy and obtained all material they could find; and to their surprise came up with the truth that rock was formed from about 80% sand and 20% clay-like subsoil; and when this mixture was tamped into a cement-like form, it formed a rock-like wall, much better than rock; cement, brick or brick veneer walls. He then arranged for a site.

OBTAINS WORK

Jack started to work for a large department store, selling men's furnishings. Evenings, Saturdays and Sundays he started to work building his home of Earth. This was about the middle of spring. By fall he had the walls finished, but could not get material for a roof until sometime in the winter. It rained, snowed, sleeted. I took pictures of it once, covered with snow without a roof. People told him the walls would not support a cement roof; so he ordered lumber from two yards. At last it arrived. They moved in during January (his earth walls would support a dozen cement roofs).

FIVE YEARS LATER

October 14th, 1950, about 1:30 in the afternoon, I gave them an unscheduled visit. Jack was helping Jill with flowers

and shrubbery; they have a beautiful place. While sitting and talking in lawn chairs, first one then the other would tell me of the wonderful advantages of an earth home. Best of all, each agreed without me asking, was that they did not have monthly payments to meet. Attesting to this fact is that they have everything they need, and have taken a six weeks trip to California, including side trips; one to see a 20-room Rammed Earth home, something many dream of and can now have by using "dirt-cheap" earth.

FAMILY WITHOUT FEAR

The majority of people I see, and correspond with, are without homes; and some letters make tears come to my eyes. But "Jack and Jill" are like other Rammed Earth home owners: they are as free from FEAR as an innocent baby. Their deep freeze is full of food, home paid for (only county taxes to pay), and fruit for their friends (I'm their friend now). They don't worry about a job, and can CHOOSE their occupation, and their CHOICE is building Rammed Earth Homes for others.

THANKSGIVING EVERY DAY

Picture "Jack and Jill" living and enjoying life every day, as most do only on Thanksgiving. Besides their Rammed Earth home, furnished and paid for; a new automobile, paid for; other luxuries usually reserved for the wealthy. They are blessed with having a home for their cute little 5-year-old girl and a 3-year-old boy, these are being reared in a way that will make them good Christian Americans.

HEAVEN ON EARTH

IF you think "Jack and Jill" don't think they are living in Heaven, here on Earth, you ought to hear what they have to say in case a criticism is made about their home. They are like all other Rammed Earth home owners: they know no other is as good, and

Subsidies

On the Floor of the House of Representatives, Monday, July 8, 1946, The Hon. Jessie Sumner, of Illinois, speaking.

Miss Sumner, of Illinois: Mr. Chairman, since antiquity it has been the favorite racket of unscrupulous rulers to increase their fortunes by manufacturing additional money for themselves to spend. The people not realizing this is a new way of robbing and enslaving them, since it secretly levies upon them and prevents their getting as much food and clothing as they would otherwise get for their efforts, go on loving their rulers at least until the rulers get too obviously greedy.

For 30 years the American people have not had a real taste of freedom because the United States Government has been practicing this age-old racket of manufacturing extra money for the politicians in power to spend. For 30

Following are excerpts from Washington State owner, dated April 24, 1951: "I am enclosing a small picture of my own Rammed Earth Home which I built in the summer of 1931. The house is immensely successful, in every way satisfactory and holding perfectly—and this part of Washington State is very rainy country. On April 13, 1949 it withstood a very severe earthquake without the slightest crack or any damage whatever. I was totally inexperienced and otherwise all other conditions were unfavorable; the helpers I hired inclined to treat the whole thing as a joke—one deliberately sabotaged the job. Great crowds of people were coming here, like going to a circus, and they were openly ridiculing the whole thing."

One with God is a majority.

SAY SO. "Jack and Jill" agreed: if they could do it - - you could too.

(Next month, picture and story of a Rammed Earth home facing the Ohio River, with the kitchen, bath, and bedroom facing street, one block from center of town.) —S. R. House, P.O. Box 727, Indianapolis, Ind.

MAMMOTH CAVE HOMES, INC.

Earth Homes Built On Top Of The Ground

P. O. Box 727

INDIANAPOLIS 6, IND.

FACISM -- ONE STEP TO COMMUNISM

Federal Income Tax is Facism, and will deprive all of the people of the right to own Their Own Homes, AND, DESTROY small Business.

Where there is State Income Tax, IT IS DOUBLE JEOPARDY!

Facist becomes owner's of all property, the makers of all laws; dictatorship is complete, then we have communism, and slavery. Some say: "It can't happen here!" It is taking place now! We are paying the RASCAL's to make slaves of the people! The Legalized THIEVES are misrepresenting the majority of the people, and taking their salary under false pretenses, and ought to as a matter of right be removed from office and prosecuted.

Income Tax, whatever method used, robs labor of rights to owning a Home, or other property. Puts a CHAIN OF SLAVERY around the necks of widows, and is a thief in the dark, it steals the crumbs from the table, and robs the children of widows bread crumbs from the table.

The Devil has clothed himself with ethical principles, and camouflaged the issues from the poor white, and negro, by and through representing themselves as GOOD CHURCH PEOPLE. Christ drove their kind from the CHURCH OF GOD! He was not a COWARD! It's time right now for all good people to act for a better world, before the crooks throw us into another war FOR PROFIT! War profiteers can always find someone FOR YOU AND I TO FIGHT AND KILL EACH OTHER. Let's start NOW, and clean up our own BACK YARD -- the politicians! Tomorrow might be too late. We have enought blood suckers NOW! Debt-drawing interest, created by elected officials, in disrespect for their OATH OF OFFICE, is enslaving our people, destroying our HOMES, making prostitutes of our Mothers and Sisters, and will eventually DESTROY THE LEADERS THEMSELVES, period.

The words "CHURCH and "SYNAGOG" need redefining AS TO THE ACTUAL MEANING, in detail. During the late 1920's I was in Oakland, California. I bought an evening paper one evening, the "Oakland Tribune", and in big bold letters, reaching completely across the front page, was as follows: "SYNAGOG RAIDED RABBI ARRESTED FOR BOOTLEGGING." This was during the great Prohibition Era. A ledger was confiscated in the raid which, contained the list of the Rabbi's customers. Believe it or not, but all the city dads, professionals, and dowdy houses in the bay district were listed as customers. At that time I was a buddy of the Foreman of Grand Jury, and we were together at least three times a week of evenings, and often had lunch at noon and other times.

When we had about fifteen per cent church members in the U.S.A., we did not have conditions as they are today when, we now have about 69 per cent church members. Evidently, the people are going to the churches, and LEARN FROM THE READERS. WHERE IS the Cat-O-Nine Tails? Clean up our churches, and crime will end! Political chicknery will end too!

WATCH who associates WITH WHO! Keep your eyes OPEN! Say to yourself: Am I DOING MY PART -- look into a mirror right now, and INVESTIGATE THY-SELF. I am not judging YOU, judge yourself. Act upon your own common sense. Give your time, AND A LITTLE MONEY TO THOSE OUT FRONT FIGHTING FOR WHAT IS RIGHT.

Donations are in order. In return for a donation, we will mail you a bundle of tricks in printed material which, will raise the roof from the corruption spots in YOUR COMMUNITY. YOU drop it into the mail TO ACTIVE GROUPS.

Sincerely,

S. R. House
S. R. House

Answers to most of your questions can be had by phoning your Library or Health Food Store.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

RA TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: April 17, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: MARK SULLIVAN
WASHINGTON BUREAU
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Sullivan, who advised he was on Washington's "Time" staff, called and was referred to SA Leinbaugh, Crime Records. He commented on the widespread interest engendered by the Director's book and was wondering if Mr. Hoover was granting any interviews at all concerning "Masters of Deceit." Leinbaugh pointed out that, of course, numerous such inquiries were being received, and frankly, the Director had just had to adopt a policy of declining in view of the volume of requests. It was pointed out that Henry Holt and Company, of course, was handling all promotion in connection with the book. Sullivan said he understood and appreciated that was the only fair way ^{for} Mr. Hoover to handle the problem in view of the tremendous official demands on his time.

Joseph

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5/2/58

I will not participate in any promotion of the book.

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To: SAC, Atlanta

From: Director, FBI

"MASTERS OF DECEIT"
EDITORIAL COMMENT
"NORTH SIDE NEWS"
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Reur airtel 3/21/58, forwarding a critical editorial which appeared in captioned newspaper on March 20, 1958.

In view of the obstinate nature of the editorial, it is not felt that any good can be achieved by contacting representatives of the North Side News. Accordingly, you should take no further action in this matter.

NOTE: Attached to the incoming airtel is a brief note reflecting information in Bufiles concerning Matt G. Perkins, Editor and Publisher and Lamar Q. Ball, Associate Editor.

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Concerning Matt G. Perkins and Lamar Q. Ball, Bureau files reflect one Mat Perkins contemplated organizing a daily newspaper in Atlanta on order of "P.M." in 1940. In March 26, 1936, Ball wrote an article in "Atlanta Constitution" critical of the Bureau. Also in 1936, Ball requested former SAC Conroy, Atlanta, to appear in photograph in connection of fingerprinting girl students at Agnes Scott College, Decatur, Georgia. Bureau authority was furnished SAC Conroy to appear in such photograph which was printed in the April 13, 1936, issue of "Atlanta Constitution." On February 10, 1939, former SAC Vincent, Atlanta, advised, that when he became SAC there in 1937, Ball was very annoying around the office because he was coming in office late at night under influence of whiskey. Shortly after Vincent took over Ball apparently stopped drinking and relations between Vincent and Ball improved so that Bureau was given more space in Ball's paper, "Atlanta Constitution," than before. In March, 1940, Bureau checked Identification Division records for correctness of interesting cases that Ball desired to print. In 1940 Ball appeared at Atlanta Office inebriated to discuss Georgia politics.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA

"MASTERS OF DECEIT"
EDITORIAL COMMENT,
NORTH SIDE NEWS, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Attached is editorial appearing in weekly community newspaper, North Side News, published in Atlanta, Georgia, each Thursday. Attached editorial appeared on Thursday, March 20, 1958. In view of its critical nature it is felt action should be taken to refute the falsehoods contained therein by statement and innuendo, even though this is a weekly newspaper of limited distribution catering primarily to the northside community area of Atlanta.

Atlanta indices are negative with reference to its Editor and Publisher, MATT G. PERKINS, and [redacted] residence 2638 Piedmont Road, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia. With reference to LAMAR Q. BALL, Associate Editor, it is noted that Atlanta files contain a reference dated May 5, 1940, indicating that one LAMAR Q. BALL, described as editor of the Atlanta Constitution, appeared in the Atlanta Field Office in an "unqualifiedly and absolutely drunken condition" and wanted to see former SAC DANNER, but apparently left the office before DANNER could talk to him. There is also a reference dated December 8, 1944, where the Bureau, by letter of that date, wrote to one Mr. Lamar Q. Ball, addressing him as World War Historian, State of Georgia, Atlanta, Georgia, and apparently in response to a letter from him, furnishing him with a memorandum setting forth some of the accomplishments of the FBI in Georgia during World War III.

Also in connection with the case entitled, [redacted] was, [redacted] etc., ET AL; ITSP; MAJOR THEFT; CONSPIRACY, Bufile 87-26786, on August 6, 1957, during the early stages of the investigation of this case,

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Approved: [Signature]
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NORTH SIDE NEWS, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

and prior to the establishment of the true identity of the subject, LAMAR BALL, Associate Editor of the North Side News, telephonically contacted the Atlanta Office and indicated he was running a feature story in the North Side News regarding [redacted] who lived in the northside area community. He indicated he had gained a great deal of background information with reference to [redacted] from neighbors and associates, and made the comment that residents of the northside area were beginning to feel the FBI was "off the ball" on the investigation of this case. When contacted concerning his statements in this regard, he was unable to furnish any substantiation or sources other than a 72-year-old woman named Mrs. RUTH THOMPSON, whose observations apparently were based on personal acquaintance with [redacted] through "show dog circles." BALL could furnish no information whatsoever to assist in establishing the true identity of [redacted] at that time.

The following morning, August 7, 1957, former SAC MUMFORD returned a call to LAMAR BALL, and during SAC MUMFORD's conversation with him he apparently made the comment that some of [redacted] associates, whom he identified only as women fellow members of her show dog group, appeared somewhat critical of the FBI's handling of the case. When former SAC MUMFORD questioned him concerning this matter, BALL would not furnish any details, nor would he himself make any specific criticisms. It is noted that SAC MUMFORD's memorandum on this conversation indicates that BALL had a "silly giggle" and apparently gave the impression of having a feeble mentality.

The attached editorial, by statement and innuendo, creates the absolute false impression that the book, "Masters of Deceit," was published for the "private enrichment" of the Director, and this statement should be challenged and the record set straight

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concerning it, along with other false impressions that the writer of the editorial apparently has concerning the FBI, as evidenced by the content of the editorial itself.

It is felt that the Bureau might desire to direct a letter to Mr. MATT G. PERKINS, Editor of this publication, setting the record straight, and requesting publication of the true facts in the next issue of the North Side News, which will be published Thursday, March 27 next. If, on the other hand, the Bureau prefers that I personally call on Mr. PERKINS and set the record straight in a personal contact, I will be more than happy to do so.

For the additional information of the Bureau, editorial comment concerning the book, "Masters of Deceit," appearing in the large Atlanta daily newspapers has been most favorable.

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North Side News

The South's Greatest Community Newspaper

MAIN OFFICE: 3167 ROSWELL ROAD, N.W., ATLANTA, GA.
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Established as a weekly on August 18, 1943

Matt G. Perkins, editor and publisher

Lamar Q. Ball, associate editor

Roberta Mayes, woman's organizations news editor

Published every Thursday, by North Side Publishing Company
Subscription: six months, \$2.50; one year, \$4.00; single copies 10c.

All About Communism \$5!

"Communism has produced a vast literature," says a book blurb that comes to this desk in this week's mail. "That literature has now been notably enriched, with J. Edgar Hoover's newly-published 'Masters of Deceit'—(Henry Holt & Company, New York: \$5.00)"

That last-quoted sentence means that if any American taxpayer wants to know what tax-paid J. Edgar Hoover and his hundreds of tax-paid G-men have learned about Communism's underground burrowing in these United States, he'll just have to visit his neighboring book store and plunk down five dollars, plus sales tax, for the private enrichment of the public's employee, J. Edgar Hoover, and his favored publisher, Henry Holt & Company.

Don't bother to visit your nearest FBI headquarters and ask your agent-in-charge for any information about Communism—even in your own-home neighborhood. All that agent wants to know is what do you know.

They're odd characters, those FBI men! They walk in, if they have an idea you know something they should know. They flip open a card case, disclosing their official identity. Then, they go to work on you—and if you don't talk, you're-in the jug for thwarting the orderly processes of justice.

Then when they know something—the full story of the Communist conspiracy in the U. S., for instance—no one but their mouthpiece, J. Edgar Hoover, has official authority to talk, at five dollars a book.

Did they find any Communism afoot in Little Rock last year when they swarmed all over the Faubus territory in search of private information for the paratroopers and the Justice Department? They ain't talkin'! Buy a book!

THIS BOOK IS RECOMMENDED by TV news announcers as the Book of The Month; it's plugged by other news writers who hope to court the Hoover favor, in the mistaken belief that if they say a good word about the Hoover book, old J. Edgar might slip them a news tip that might give them a scoop . . . some time . . . some time!

About the only newspaper man who ever seemed to get real close to J. Edgar was Walter Winchell—about whom we let you express your own opinion.

We've read a Hoover book! Bought it, of course, at a free enterprise book store. We were curious to learn what secrets about American life a public employee was willing to sell for so-much-a-copy. All we could uncover was a ghost-writer's judgment that if J. Edgar Hoover hadn't been around, a lot of crooks would be a lot richer than they are today.

If this \$5 a copy revelation about Communism sells better than a million copies, will we be seeing Ed Sullivan, a few weeks from now, handing Ed Hoover a gold book, suitably framed, and commanding the audience: "Let's give him a big hand now." Will Sullivan's sponsors have to pay for a guest appearance?

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March 27, 1958

Mr. Lawrence Sullivan
Coordinator of Information
House of Representatives
Room 546
House Office Building
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Sullivan:

Your excellent review of "Masters of Deceit" which appeared in the Congressional Record on March 26, 1958, has been brought to my attention, and I did not want to let the opportunity pass without expressing my sincere thanks.

Your enthusiastic reception of this book is a source of much encouragement to me, and I assure you I am most grateful for your complimentary review.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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a clear and easy-to-remember set of operating rules for every patriot who would like to do something, personally, to help plow under atheistic communism forever.

His final chapter, *How To Stay Free*, is a clarion call for a new crusade of patriotism.

As a history of our times, Hoover's book illuminates in compelling perspective all of the major economic, political, and international confusions of the 20th century. It is, truly, a once-in-a-lifetime memoir. If, somehow, this book could be gotten into the hands of 10 million Americans, today's gravest challenge to world peace soon would be uprooted and destroyed, like a poison-ivy weed in a beautiful garden.

Why did Hoover take time to put this amazing document together? Because, he explains, "Every citizen has a duty to learn more about the menace that threatens his future, his home, his children, and the peace of the world. . . . If you will take time to inform yourself you will find that communism holds no mysteries. . . . This book is an attempt to explain communism—what it is, how it works, what its aims are, and most important of all, what we need to know to combat it."

Hoover knows more about this subject than any man alive. He has fought communism barehanded since 1919. All the major crimes of world communism through 40 years are here capitulated, with the capstone of political savagery resting upon the troubled brow of Mao Tse-tung in Red China, who "admitted that 800,000 of his fellow countrymen had been liquidated between 1949 and 1954."

At that point the lights of civilization went out in China.

No review, however sympathetic, could hope to convey the full impact of Hoover's day-by-day chronicle of communism at work in America—the poisonous hate, the pagan ferocity, the dementia of destructive purpose spewed daily along a thousand fronts of subversion, espionage, infiltration, and sabotage throughout our peaceful and law-abiding land.

Communism springs in the human soul primarily from hatred, and it seeks only to destroy. "The deepest motivations of communism are here delineated by the man who has categorized them for 40 years, are chiefly sadistic.

The famous Lenin School in Moscow, established in 1920, became the top training center for Communist shock-troop leaders in all nations. Here were taught the tactics of revolution and civil war.

"The Soviets wanted rough-and-ready revolutionists, men who would kill, murder, blow up trains, and start revolutions. . . . The National Committee of the Communist Party in the United States includes such graduates of the Lenin School as Eugene Flint, Claude Lightfoot, Carl Winter, and W. Gerson, William Weinstein, Nat and Steve Nelson, and others. Former enrollment School graduates include such well-known Communists as Betty Gannett, Gus Hall, Albert Lannon, Phil Bart, Rose Wortis, Core Stack, Henry Winston, and numerous others." (p. 66).

No, is there any confusion in the FBI as to the real aims of the Communist Party in this country.

"To make the United States a Communist nation is the ambition of every party member, regardless of position or rank," Hoover writes.

In 1922 party membership in the United States was about 12,400. By mid-term of Herbert Hoover's administration Communist Party membership hit an all-time low of 7,500 in 1930.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt's formal recognition of Soviet Russia in November 1933 gave Communists equal legal standing with our own political parties. Thereafter Communist Party membership skyrocketed

to a peak of 80,000 in 1944. At that point, the party in the United States was stronger numbers than the Soviet Party was at the time it seized power in Russia.

By 1955 party membership in the United States had declined to 20,600, and by the summer of 1957 membership had further declined.

But for every affiliated party member ten others are ready, willing, and able to do the party's work.

There were only 20,000 formal members of the Communist Party in Bulgaria in September 1945, when that country of 7 million population was taken over as a Kremlin satellite.

Official Communist doctrine, as quoted by the FBI from Moscow documents, offers a simple plan for the proposed Red takeover in the United States:

"The principles upon which a Soviet American would be organized would be the same, in every respect, as those which guided the Soviet Union."

There are thousands of dedicated Communists in America working in secret every day toward a Communist America.

"But also, thank God," concludes J. Edgar Hoover, "there are millions of Americans who oppose them. If we open our eyes, inform ourselves, and work together, we can keep our country free."

Every downturn in the United States business graphs is a signal for a new Communist field day.

"Actually, Communists would like to develop an economic crisis" (p. 193).

Systematic infiltration of schools, churches, the press and radio, women's clubs and civic clubs, labor unions and farm groups is a cardinal principle of Communist mass agitation. But all such invasions are regarded by the party leaders as but initial steps to the ultimate destruction of our democratic institutions. The first Communist dictum, Hoover warns, is this: "Cooperation or collaboration with non-Communists must never be more than a tactic."

American Negroes have been perhaps the most tragic victims of Communist mass agitation, and the controversy on integration has given the Communists a field day.

"The Negro, in Communist eyes, was a mere pawn, to be manipulated for the attainment of party aims" (p. 245).

The party claim that it is working for Negro rights is a deception and a fraud. The party's sole interest, as most American Negroes know, is to hoodwink the Negro, to exploit him and use him as a tool to build a Communist America.

The party has made vigorous efforts to infiltrate the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. This organization in 1950 authorized its board of directors to revoke the charter of any chapter found to be Communist controlled.

Nevertheless, the Communist Party has been caught at infiltration tactics in several powerful NAACP centers, notably Philadelphia, New Orleans, Gary, Ind., and Cincinnati, Ohio (p. 246).

"Communism does not mean better housing, improved social conditions, or a more strict observance of civil rights. The vast majority of Negro leaders have rebuffed the Communists' attempt to exploit them. . . .

The call of the future must be a rekindled American faith based on our priceless heritage of freedom, justice, and the religious spirit."

Hoover also documents in scholarly fashion the violent anti-Semitic policies of Soviet Russia under Stalin, which have alienated so many honest liberals recently throughout Europe and America. He cites the Yiddish-language newspaper *Folks-Shtimme* in Warsaw, April 4, 1956, "that Jewish culture has been largely liquidated under Stalin and many Jewish leaders executed."

J. Edgar Hoover's Book, Masters of Deceit, Reviewed by Lawrence Sullivan, House Coordinator of Information

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

HON. FRANCES P. BOLTON

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 20, 1958

Mrs. BOLTON. Mr. Speaker, America has waited many years for J. Edgar Hoover's intimate, down-to-earth picture of communism at work in the land of the free. Now the FBI Director has put his life's work into a book, *Masters of Deceit*, published by Henry Holt & Co., 383 Madison Avenue, New York, at \$5 a copy. I hope every American will make an effort to read this book.

Lawrence Sullivan, our Coordinator of Information in the House of Representatives, has written a most interesting review of Mr. Hoover's book. Under leave to extend my remarks, I include his review herewith.

The review follows:

THE FBI DESCRIBES AMERICAN COMMUNISM
(By Lawrence Sullivan, Coordinator of Information, U. S. House of Representatives)

America has waited many years for J. Edgar Hoover's intimate, down-to-earth picture of communism at work in the land of the free.

Now the Director of the FBI has put his life's work into a book, *Masters of Deceit*, published by Henry Holt & Co., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, N. Y., at \$5.

Not content with a thoroughly documented summary of Communist destructiveness over the last 40 years, Hoover concludes v

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"These monstrous deeds of anti-Semitism in Russia have had profound repercussions among Communists in the United States," Hoover adds.

The 16th national convention of the United States Communist Party in New York, February 1957, pointedly "refused to condemn tyranny and proven anti-Semitism of the Soviet Union" (p. 77).

The New York resolution to denounce Russian anti-Semitism was offered by Prof. Morris U. Schappes. It noted "the liquidation of the outstanding Yiddish writers and Jewish communal and political leaders, and the snuffing out of organized Jewish cultural life" in Russia and all the Kremlin satellite areas.

Instead of being called up for debate and action, this resolution was deftly soft-pedaled (as was a similar resolution denouncing Soviet terrorism in Hungary) by being referred to the national committee of the party for study. Thus the American Communist convention quietly pigeonholed the only resolution offered to denounce and condemn the unending campaign of extermination against the Jewish people behind the Iron Curtain.

"One of the most malicious myths that has developed in the United States is that persons of the Jewish faith and Communists have something in common. The people who gave the world the concept of the monotheistic God and the Ten Commandments cannot remain Jewish and follow the atheism of Karl Marx and the deceit of the Communist movement."

The American Jewish League Against Communism is cited as "the first American organization to expose and document the Communist anti-Jewish policies" (p. 258).

Philip M. Klutznick, the president of B'nai B'rith, is quoted, that only in Soviet Russia and its satellites is "Jewish life languishing and approaching extinction."

But the cruel betrayal of Negroes, Jews, Hungarians—any people, any creed—never fazes the Kremlin high command. Khrushchev himself is the author of the directive that the party must go on, at whatever moral cost.

Said Khrushchev at a 1957 diplomatic fete in Moscow: "Those who expect us to abandon communism will have to wait until a shrimp learns to whistle."

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: March 10, 1958

FROM : G. A. Nease

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[redacted] in Congressman Keating's office called. You will recall that several days ago, we furnished him some information on the Director's background and "Masters of Deceit" since the Congressman wanted to make a statement from the floor concerning the book. [redacted] stated the Congressman will make his speech today. He has asked for a special order of one hour on the floor. His speech will last 15 or 20 minutes and he is then going to state that, if anyone else wishes to comment concerning the Director's book, he will be glad to yield the floor. [redacted] stated there is only one difficulty: the calendar is so full today that it will be late this afternoon before the Congressman will get the floor, possibly around 4:30 p. m., which will have the effect of reducing the number of members on the floor at the time [redacted] thought perhaps we would want to have somebody present in the gallery to listen in and suggested we call him around the middle of the afternoon when he may have a little more definite idea as to the time. He further stated the Congressman would like to put some of the more favorable reviews in the record if we had copies of them. I told him we would be happy to furnish him with these reviews.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. I am having Mr. Jones pull out some of the more favorable reviews which I will send to [redacted]

2. Likewise, I will have someone contact [redacted] around three o'clock this afternoon to see what time the Congressman may get the floor, and as a matter of courtesy I think we should have someone to listen to his remarks and, particularly, to see who else might take the floor to speak in behalf of the book and the Director. [redacted] likewise, stated he would send me a copy of the Congressman's proposed remarks but as yet they have not been received.

cc - Mr. Jones

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4315 South Harvard Boulevard
Los Angeles 62, California

Dear [Redacted]

Your letter postmarked April 14, 1958, has been received, and I want to thank you for your thoughtful comments relating to my book, "Masters of Deceit." Your suggestion that the book be printed in a paperback edition is appreciated, and you may be sure that the publisher has this matter under consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Edgar Hoover

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4315 S. Harvard Boulevard
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Mr J. Edgar Hoover.
Director F. B. I.

Dear Sirs,

I read your wonderful Book article in the L.A. Examiner
This A.M. ^{Sunday} ~~Friday~~ Apr. 13. It is wonderful Information for real
Americans who want to Protect This country. I wonder if you might
not have The Masters of Deceit printed in small book form. I am
among the unemployed and only recieves \$27 a week. So cannot afford
to pay \$5.00 a Book. Five Dollars looks big to me. It is hard for me
to get a Job, Because of my age. Here is hoping you can have it
printed in 35¢ Book form.

May God Be with You always.

Yours Very Sincerely

/s/ [Redacted]
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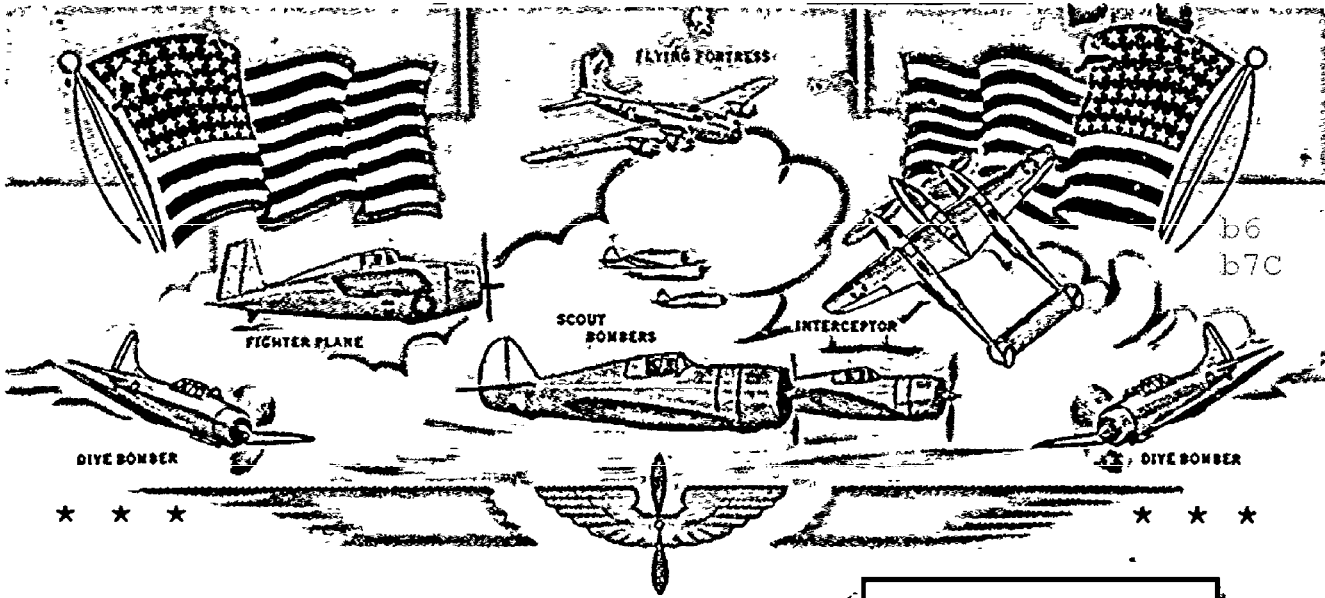
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4315 S. Harvard Boulevard
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Mr J. Edgar Hoover,
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Dear Sirs,

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I read your wonderful
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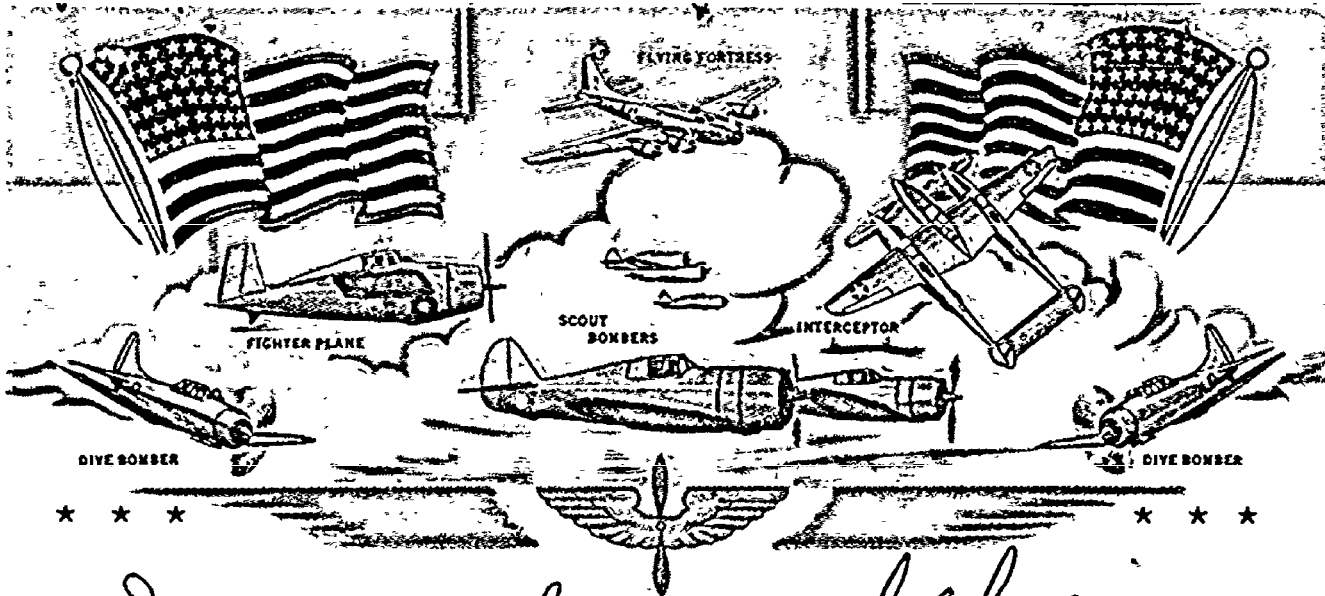
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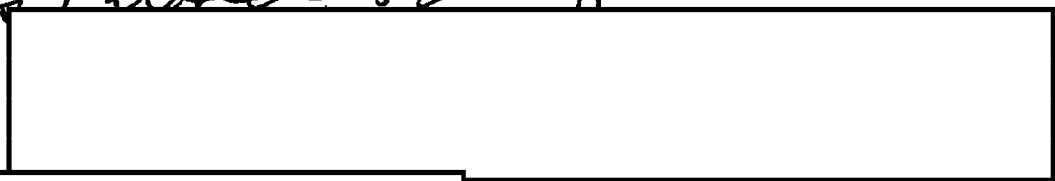


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I am a Ground Observer
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April 22, 1958

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[Redacted]
186 Columbus Avenue
Buffalo 20, New York

Dear [Redacted]

Your letter of April 14, 1958, has been received, and I wanted you to know I enjoyed hearing from you very much. It was thoughtful of you to comment so favorably regarding "Masters of Deceit," and I hope you find it to be interesting.

Letters such as yours are most encouraging, and it is good to hear from public-spirited citizens who are alert and aware of the menace of atheistic communism. Certainly, if all mothers, and all parents, for that matter, would face their responsibilities in the proper training and future welfare of their children, the fight against the evil forces which threaten our society would be lessened considerably. In view of your interest in this subject, I am enclosing some material which you might like to read.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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- Communist "New Look" - A Study In Duplicity
- Where Do We Stand Today With Communism in the United States?
- Breaking The Communist Spell
- God and Country or Communism?
- Struggle on a New Plane
- Shall Doors Be Opened to Spies & Subversives?
- "How to Fight Communism"

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BUFFALO 20, N. Y.

April 14, 1958

J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for writing "Masters of Deceit." I have just read Chapter One in the Buffalo Evening News but I intend to make this book part of my library.

I have four reasons why I have to fight communism.

They are:



They will have to know about Communism because they may have to fight for their lives - in a "cold" or "hot" war.

Certainly, we want our children to know their rights as citizens but lately we have a tendency to overemphasize our rights without a similar emphasis on responsibility. We try to teach our youngsters 3 R's before they go to school: religion, responsibility, respect for people and property.

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J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

MASTERS OF DECEIT

Dear Sir:

Thank you for writing "Masters of Deceit". I have just read Chapter One in the Buffalo Evening News but I intend to make this book part of my library.

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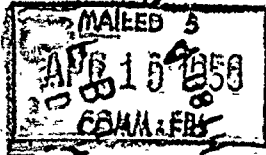
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Assistant Director
N. C. W. C. News Service
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Dear Mr. Walsh:

Inspector John J. McGuire has called to my attention your note of April 8, 1958, and the various clippings which you so thoughtfully enclosed. I assure you I am most grateful for your kindness in making these clippings available. It goes without saying that the success of "Masters of Deceit" is due in large measure to the support given to it by individuals such as you.

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Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover



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Inspector John J. McGuire
Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Dear John:

As you probably already know, Mr. Hoover's new book got very good notices in the Catholic press across the country. I am sending you, herewith, some samples of the reaction. They are not all, by any means, but I think you will get from them some idea of how extensively the book was hailed.

Thanks for your very good cooperation.

With the best of good wishes,

Sincerely,

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**THE RUSSIANS
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THE UNIVERSAL ACCLAIM which has greeted the publication of J. Edgar Hoover's study of Communism is an encouraging sign of our times. It is a tribute to the deep esteem in which Mr. Hoover is held by the nation to which he has dedicated a lifetime of grim and untiring service.

IT IS ALSO A TESTIMONY to the fact that we are at long last awakening to the realization that in dealing with Communists, we are dealing with masters of deceit. The recognition of this fact is especially timely. We live amid a barrage of incessant and almost frantic Soviet pleas for summit conferences, cultural exchanges and disarmament agreements.

IT SHOULD BE OBVIOUS by now that conferences, exchanges and agreements must assume mutual honesty as an irreducible base. Checking the record of broken agreements which Communist Russia has scattered along the pathway of history should dampen optimistic approaches to present proposals. The emphasis should be on performance rather than words.

HAPPILY, THIS POINT was made this week by Governor Averill Harriman of New York and Henry Cabot Lodge, U.S. ambassador to the United Nations. Both raised the question of Hungary, with appropriate inquiries regarding the Soviet agreements to withdraw troops from that unfortunate country, to permit UN representatives to enter it, and to reveal the fate of political prisoners held there since 1956.

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TO ROUND OUT a rather fruitful week of fact-facing, we have Mike Todd, the local film producer, delivering himself of a few well-chosen words on cultural film exchange, Russian translation. To Mr. Todd, this spells simply propaganda.

REGARDLESS OF MR. TODD'S status as a statesman or political analyst, he has impressed us in the past as a shrewd and competent judge of the realities involved in mass communication. He went to Russia to explore film exchange proposals. He came back to say: "The USSR wants any American-made film that shows American life at its worst.... in this so-called cultural exchange, the Russians are real pros."

ALL IN ALL, WE WOULD say that things are looking better than they were. Or, to put it in another way, Soviet overtures are looking as they are. We may expect that the customary explanations will be made or implied. Mr. Hoover is a doddering alarmist; Mr. Harriman and Mr. Lodge are grinding political axes; Mr. Todd is trying to sell "Around the World" to the Russian government.

YET STRANGE AS IS the range of their respective careers, the fact remains that each is a specialist in his own field and each has been in a position to probe the Communist mind. Each in his own way is helping the American people to become more familiar with it also.

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'More Dangerous Than Ever'

Has communism in the United States lost its deadliness? Are its evil doctrines and the conspiracies of its leaders no longer a danger to American institutions and the principles of democratic government? Is communism not to be feared?

There are those who would give an affirmative answer to these questions and they would find it possible to offer impressive substantiation for their convictions. Membership in the party has diminished almost to the vanishing point. The *Daily Worker*, party organ, has succumbed to financial impoverishment and is no longer available to the faithful on the newsstands. Leaders have either lost their battles with the law or are fearful of further conflicts.

If external evidences were to be accepted as reflecting a true condition, communism could be written off as a danger that has passed. It would be a tragic mistake, however, to accept this comforting conclusion and to lapse into an attitude of complacency concerning a menace which touches all corners of the earth, including the United States, and will continue as long as Moscow holds its present world power.

There are two Americans who are best informed concerning the current status of communism as a danger to the United States, and they are in significant agreement in their conclusions. J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in his new book, *Masters of*

Deceit, dispels decisively the delusion that the danger of communism is over.

Today no less than at any time in its history, Mr. Hoover asserts, the communist conspiracy and communist doctrines "threaten the happiness of the community, the safety of every individual, and the continuance of every home and fire-side." He supports his warning with adequate evidence.

But Mr. Hoover's soundly based conclusions do not stand alone. During the 10-month trial of 11 communist leaders in New York, Federal Judge Harold R. Medina, who presided, gained a profound insight into the communist conspiracy—its ramifications, the relentlessness of the conspirators, the ties with Moscow. He is not impressed with the current evidences of feebleness and even lifelessness.

"The hard core of communists is working as hard as ever," Judge Medina declared recently. "There is more reason now than ever to fear the communists. They are more dangerous than ever."

Even though these authoritative judgments had not been uttered, the American people would be rash indeed if they lowered their guard against communism. They have had revealed to them the treachery of its masters, their powers of subversion and the determination with which they pursue their ends. What reason is there for assuming that they are not continuing operations in insidious ways and with deadly purposes?

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Reds Still Alive

Readers of the recent statement by a former undercover agent for the F.B.I. that Communism is stronger than ever in the United States must have been severely shocked. Especially if they had believed the cleverly created impression that the Reds were a disorganized, dispirited group within the nation.

Communists have many qualities in common with Satan. One is that they too excel in the ability to convince the naive that they really don't exist at all. Or that if they do exist, they're much too weak to cause any trouble.

Not a few countries have been conquered by this tactic and even more have been lulled into a state of somnolence which rendered occupation easy and inevitable.

Exploiting the American misconception as to what a Red looks like, they smile, make jokes and, opening their arms in a gesture of candor, exclaim, "Look, Mom, no bombs."

It's true, of course, the modern Bolshevik doesn't carry bombs strapped to his belt. Neither does he wear rough clothing, nor contort his features in a ferocious leer.

This was the old approach. Now the "new look" is much in evidence as was demonstrated last week when the urbane, polished, well-groomed Soviet Ambassador purported to answer questions directed to him by youthful members of a TV panel.

Nothing about the Ambassador suggested revolution, tyranny or cold-blooded murder. In fact, his kindly face, gentle manner and calm, patient replies suggested that his mouth would indeed be a safe place to keep the family supply of butter.

Some little doubt was created, however, by the absolute nonsense that came so beautifully from this same mouth. And the more an informed listener pondered these modern adaptations of Aesop's fables, the more he marveled at the nimbleness of Red leaders to take on the raiment of their surroundings.

If members of this particular panel and the thousands of others who saw it really believe that there are free elections in any Red-dominated land, that the Communists never interfere in the domestic affairs of other sovereign states and that Nikita Khrushchev wouldn't think of saying anything derogatory about the United States, they should purchase J. Edgar Hoover's excellent book entitled "Masters of Deceit." (For a review of "Masters of Deceit," see the book column on page 2).

Rather expensive even in this day of inflated prices, it is worth every cent it costs. For it presents not only a faithful, authoritative picture of present-day Communism and tells how to fight it, but it also makes unmistakably clear that, like the devil, the Reds hate us, plan our destruction and are prepared to use any means to achieve it.

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**FBI Head's New Book
Inspired by Prelate**

BOSTON—(NC)—FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover has disclosed that his new book, "Masters of Deceit," which deals with communism, its aims and works in this country, was inspired by the fight being waged against communism by Archbishop Richard J. Cushing of Boston.

The book is scheduled for publication this month. An advance copy received here by Archbishop Cushing contained an inscription inside the cover in Hoover's handwriting which said:

"To His Excellency, the Most Reverend Richard J. Cushing, Archbishop of Boston, whose magnificent fight against atheistic communism inspired the writing of this book." It was signed "Sincerely, your friend, J. Edgar Hoover."

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'MASTERS OF DECEIT'

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BOSTON—(NC)—For years, Archbishop Richard J. Cushing of Boston has been looking for a book. Up until now, the search was hopeless because the book just didn't exist.

What the archbishop wanted was a textbook for high school and college students, outlining the story of communism clearly and in detail.

"I HAVE always advocated the teaching of communism as an evil in our secondary schools and colleges," the Archbishop said. "We should teach it as we teach the evil of sin in the moral order, of cancer in the physical order."

The book that Archbishop Cushing has been looking for has now been published. It is "Masters of Deceit" by J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. In a letter to the book's publishers, Henry Holt and Company of New York, Archbishop Cushing said: "It is just the book that I have been awaiting."

"'Masters of Deceit' should be read with indignation by every American," the Archbishop's letter stated. "Mr. Hoover's book will shock the reader out of his apathy and indifference toward the menace of communism—the most destructive 'ism' that ever attempted to dethrone the Almighty, rob man of his liberties, and conquer the entire world."

Accompanying the Archbishop's letter was an advance order for 1,000 copies of the book. Because of this and other large advance orders, the publishers announced, it was necessary to go into a second printing before the March 10 publication date for the book.

Archbishop Cushing announced that his purchase was made possible through the generosity of "a benefactor who sees this book as I do, a warning of a clear and present danger to our way of life."

IN THE SAME announcement, the Archbishop outlined his unusual distribution plan for the book.

"In order to make it available without difficulty," he said, "you can order it directly from me. If you send me \$5 I will see that you get a copy of the book and a second copy will go with my compliments to schools, individuals and places where it will do a great amount of good."

The Archbishop has already arranged to distribute copies of the book to all the schools and all the priests of the archdiocese.

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By J. Edgar Hoover. Holt, 337p. \$5.00

The qualities of thoroughness, competence, fairness, self-discipline and religious faith which explain the extraordinary career of J. Edgar Hoover are revealed in this description of the methods of Communist subversion in the United States. The book provides an answer to the question of how a party of only 8,000—or even 80,000—members can influence, let alone seriously weaken, a nation of 173 million people. The essential facts which explain this mystery are compiled into a kind of primer, which documents the history and inner workings of American communism and its front organizations in the various categories, ranging from open Party members to gullible petition-signers.

It may seem curious that Mr. Hoover has written a call to arms against com-

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But Mr. Hoover is not so sanguine. He has seen the Party recover from previous defeats which at the time seemed

fatal. He has seen it survive the Ho-Stalin pact, a particularly devastating blow to the U. S. Communist party, which had concentrated on attracting American liberals into front organizations by posing as the only true enemy of nazism. He has seen it survive Khrushchev's denunciation of Stalin, and he fully expects to see it survive the impact of the Hungarian Revolution, though the repercussions are still reverberating through what is left of the Party.

He knows that the Party's present crisis is due to the climate of opinion, which is a passing phenomenon in America because it depends on the flow of publicity from our popular news media. The present alertness against anything which savors of association

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Red Treachery Documented

By Father Bernard Theall, O.S.B.

MASTERS OF DECEIT, by J. Edgar Hoover (Holt, \$5) is subtitled "The Story of Communism in America and how to fight it." I suppose that no one will doubt the unique qualifications of the long-time head of the FBI to do this kind of book.

As I write this, the review copy having reached me somewhat later than is usual, many of the larger weekly reviewing journals have had their say. The Hoover of opinion is that Mr. Hoover greatly exaggerates the dangers of present-day communism in America, and that we would be better advised to fight communism abroad by paying more attention to foreign relations.

More often than not, the evidence given for this claim of exaggeration is a simple statistic about current Communist membership in America; because it has greatly declined in the past two decades so far as available figures show, the party must be dead.

Hidden Power

I do not find this an especially convincing argument, since it is generally agreed that the metaphor of the iceberg is valid for the way the party looks in the U. S.—much more of it is hidden than appears on the surface. However that may be, Mr. Hoover's book is still a good piece of contemporary writing in political theory, making available to people who might not otherwise read such a book, a large part of the history of the past five decades.

The introductory essay is entitled "Who Is Your Enemy?" (rather than who was)—and the author is here concerned to show that Communists the world over think in they are sure of eventually aspect of Communist planning that makes it impossible to be soothed by present-day figures showing a membership decline...

Five more chapters discuss such topics as "How Communism Began," "The Communist Appeal in the United States," "Life in the Party," "The Communist Trojan Horse in Action," and "The Communist Underground"; all of these are tied together in a concluding

chapter. The reader will look in vain for such controversial names of recent date as Alger Hiss or Sen. McCarthy — Mr. Hoover is concerned to present only that aspect of the Communist threat which is above and beyond argument and there is only brief mention of such important figures as the Rosenbergs.

Happy Warrior

Another ugly aspect of modern American life plays a large part in Al Smith and His America, by Oscar Handlin (Atlantic-Little Brown, \$3.50) — the bitter anti-Catholicism which flourished in the 1920's and is perhaps not yet dead. At least Mr. Handlin feels that it, along with anti-Semitism, would still operate to keep either a Catholic or a Jew from the presidency.

Good Reading

But the major part of his book is biographical, rather than the demonstration of a thesis, and it makes good reading, especially for those who remember the stirring days of the Smith campaign and the sad days of Al's decline in public favor and importance as a public servant.

In a book of less than 200 pages (this is one volume of a series called "The Library of American Biography") it is hard to do justice to so varied a career as Smith's, but Mr. Handlin does his best,

and he is deeply sympathetic with and an admirer of Smith and what he stood for.

He traces Al's rise from small-time political worker to his four-term position as a great state's great governor, and to the pinnacle of his achievement, the 1928 Presidential contest. In some detail he discusses the forces that made victory impossible, placing greatest stress on the religious issue.

FDR's Ingratitude

After 1928, Smith's political fortunes steadily declined, and here Mr. Handlin places much blame on Franklin D. Roosevelt, as one who never really understood Smith, nor trusted one from so different a social milieu. After Roosevelt became governor of New York, he never consulted Smith on matters of state or party policy—because, feels Handlin, he was already in the presidential race and felt that he could not afford contact with a loser. Nor was FDR willing to be as forthright as Smith on thorny issues like prohibition.

The Empire State debacle, the 1929 crash, family troubles, and a growing sense of being out of step with the times, all contributed to the disappearance of Smith as a public figure, so that when he died in 1944, only a comparative handful were still loyal—but Mr. Handlin makes his readers feel that there was a real and permanent contribution to America in this man's life.

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FOLLOWING THE LINE

J. Edgar Hoover's "Masters of Deceit" has received very favorable reviews in newspapers all over the Nation. The New York "Times" critic, John B. Oakes of its editorial staff, thought differently, however. He found the volume, in part at least, "naïve" and "dated," adding "American Communism itself is dated, with no longer any strength or influence, with no front organizations of any power, with no foothold in government, labor, in the press."

We are inclined to side with Mr. Hoover, who admits that the Communists have gone underground, but says the organization is now more deadly than ever, and to consider him more expert on the topic than Mr. Oakes.

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Be Sure You Read 'Masters of Deceit'

IT'S DIFFICULT TO SAY whether one will sleep more peacefully or more worriedly after reading "Masters of Deceit" by J. Edgar Hoover. This is the story of Communism in America and how to fight it by the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. It's a book that anyone who pretends to talk knowingly about Communism should feel compelled to read.

Nearly 40 years ago, Mr. Hoover was a special assistant to the Attorney General of the United States. He was assigned to prepare a legal brief on the newly formed Communist Party and Communist Labor Party in the United States. From that time on, he has made it his business to follow the workings of the party closely.

In concluding his brief in 1919, he wrote: "These doctrines threaten the happiness of the community, the safety of every individual, and the continuance of every home and fireside. They would destroy the peace of the country and thrust it into a condition of anarchy and lawlessness and immorality that passes the imagination."

IN THE FOREWORD of the present book, he states: "Today, as I write these words, my conclusions of 1919 remain the same. Communism is the major menace of our time. Today, it threatens the very character of our Western civilization."

In the book, Mr. Hoover presents a very short but complete history of the start of Communism abroad and in this country. He crowds an amazing amount of information into some fifty pages.

For those who have wondered why Americans would be interested in this godless ideology, they will find the answers here: what the U.S. Communists claim; why people join, why people leave.

THE DESCRIPTION OF LIFE in the party — a life followed by something less than 22,600 Americans today — is fascinating in an almost diabolical way. The sense of devotion and zeal and sacrifice that the Communist Party expects of its members and gets, in most cases, is almost beyond belief.

One can hardly pooh-poo the idea that Communists are a danger to the United States because of their relatively small number. Mr. Hoover states: "When the Communist Party was at its peak in the United States (84,000 in 1944) it was stronger in numbers than the Soviet Party was at the time it seized power in Russia."

The description of Communist strategy, intrigue, infiltration, and front techniques shows how powerful a small group can be. Its underground tactics, sabotage and espionage are an awe-inspiring picture.

The concluding chapter — "How to Stay Free" — gives a simple blue print for Americans. We would like to see all parish societies, veteran and labor groups, service and women's clubs sink their teeth into this book. There is nothing of hysteria in "Masters of Deceit." There is a prescribed diet that this country needs.

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"Masters of Deceit"

There is no one who knows more about the activities of communism and Communists in the United States than J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation since 1924 and associated with the Department of Justice since 1917. His book, "Masters of Deceit—The Story of Communism in America and How to Fight It," published this week, is the most authoritative work on the subject that one can imagine.

Mr. Hoover starts his book with a study of the origin of communism, its history of conspiracy in the United States, the menace it constitutes today, and the defense against it vital at this hour. Today no less than at any time in its history, Mr. Hoover asserts, the Communist conspiracy and Communist doctrines "threaten the happiness of the community, the safety of every individual, and the continuance of every home and fireside."

Anti-Communist books more often than not get the silent treatment from many of the reviewers of influential secular publications. Mr. Hoover's book cannot be ignored. But what these influences can and will do to the book is indicated by the review by John B. Oakes, a member of The Times editorial board, in The New York Times Book Review Section last Sunday.

Mr. Oakes gives "Masters of Deceit" some faint praise. He endorses Mr. Hoover's deploring the activities of extremists who slap the label "Red" on anyone who happens to be different from or to differ with them, "and hinder rather than aid the fight against Communism." But, says Mr. Oakes, "there is at times a naive and slightly dated quality to the contents of Mr. Hoover's book, which, as he says himself, is written 'in almost primer form.' . . . Overemphasis on the dangers arising from that 'futile and impotent political sect,' as one of its most prominent recent deserters calls it, runs the risk of diverting public attention from possibly greater danger to our country."

In spite of the conviction of a number of members of the Party for betraying vital government secrets, including, we are assured, some which gave the Soviet its present advantage in the Satellite race, Mr. Oakes and those of like mind still insist that the Communists are "a futile and impotent political sect." On the other hand, Judge Harold R. Medina, who presided at the 10-month trial of the 11 top Communists in the United States asserted in recent days that the current complacency about the Reds is a threat to the nation; "the hard core of Communists is working just as hard as ever. There is more reason now than ever to fear the Communists. They are more dangerous than ever."

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Speaking about book reviewers and book review sections which either give anti-Communist books the silent or left-handed treatment, this does not apply to Harry W. Baehr, an editorial writer on the New York Herald Tribune, and his treatment of J. Edgar Hoover's "Masters of Deceit." Mr. Baehr gives a graphic description of the contents of Mr. Hoover's volume. Mr. Hoover, he says, "has access to a vast amount of detailed information about the workings of communism; he does not indulge in wishful thinking about the 'failure' of the Communist party in the United States, but neither does he vent panic-stricken cries for a vigilante-type response to the continuing threat."

"How is the Communist attack, in its protean forms, to be repelled?" Mr. Baehr writes. "Mr. Hoover urges that the first and most important task of the citizen is 'to make sure that we do not permit the Communists to fool us into being 'innocent victims'—to be able to recognize the falsity of Red claims and the techniques of Red penetration. Given that knowledge, it is possible—and essential—to resist infiltration into unions, civic, fraternal and social organizations. And against illegal subversive activity the citizen should, if information on the subject comes his way, cooperate with the FBI. 'Stick to the facts,' Mr. Hoover urges. The FBI is not interested in rumor or idle gossip.' He warns against 'smears, character assassination, and the scattering of irresponsible charges'—but hard facts, even when they appear to be trivial, can be of great importance in the hands of trained and responsible investigators."

The foregoing is representative of Mr. Baehr's review; contrast it with that of John B. Oakes in The Times the same day — Mr. Oakes to whom the communists are a "futile and impotent political sect," and to whom Mr. Hoover's exposure of Communist tactics is "overemphasis" which "runs the risk of diverting public attention from possibly greater dangers to our country." One of the greatest dangers to the country is an attitude toward communism reflected in the review by Mr. Oakes.

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Masters of Deceit may be one-dimensional but it sounds a loud, clear and insistent warning that only the fond and foolish will ignore.

The book published this month with the uncompromising title, Masters of Deceit, is not an official FBI report to the nation. It is rather the report of a well-informed citizen who has been in touch with the Communist conspiracy from 1919 until the present, and who recognizes it as a constant threat to our liberties.

Arranged in seven parts the work is almost exclusively concerned with the progress of the Communist movement in the United States. The various sections deal with such subjects as the organization of the Party; Why Citizens (there are few aliens in the Party) become Communists; Communist discipline; Communist strategy and tactics; the Underground; and other related subjects.

There is a glossary of terms frequently used by Communists

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PRELATE CALLS NEW BOOK ON
COMMUNISM IDEAL AS TEXT FOR
HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE STUDENTS

BOSTON, March 10 (NC)--For years, Archbishop Richard J. Cushing of Boston has been looking for a book. Up until now, the search was hopeless because the book just didn't exist.

What the Archbishop wanted was a textbook for high school and college students, outlining the story of communism clearly and in detail.

"I have always advocated the teaching of communism as an evil in our secondary schools and colleges," the Archbishop said. "We should teach it as we teach the evil of sin in the moral order, of cancer in the physical order."

The book that Archbishop Cushing has been looking for has now been published. It is "Masters of Deceit" by J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. In a letter to the book's publishers, Henry Holt and Company of New York, Archbishop Cushing said: "It is just the book that I have been awaiting."

"'Masters of Deceit' should be read with indignation by every American," the Archbishop's letter stated. "Mr. Hoover's book will shock the reader out of his apathy and indifference toward the menace of communism--the most destructive 'ism' that ever attempted to dethrone the Almighty, rob man of his liberties, and conquer the entire world."

Accompanying the Archbishop's letter was an advance order for 1,000 copies of the book. Because of this and other large advance orders, the publishers announced, it was necessary to go into a second printing before the March 10 publication date for the book.

~~Archbishop Cushing announced that his purchase was made possible~~ through the generosity of "a benefactor who sees this book as I do, a warning of a clear and present danger to our way of life."

~~In the same announcement, the Archbishop outlined his unusual~~ distribution plan for the book.

"In order to make it available without difficulty," he said, "you can order it directly from me. If you send me \$5 I will see that you get a copy of the book and a second copy will go with my compliments to schools, individuals and places where it will do a great amount of good."

The Archbishop has already arranged to distribute copies of the book to all the schools and all the priests of the archdiocese.

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Hoover Says Red Menace Rises as Fear Declines

By LOUIS BUDENZ

Present-day United States history concerning our relations with Soviet Communism is often stranger than fiction. To put the case in brief: The Kremlin has been making headway in pressing us to accept a summit conference, which all the signs indicate will be to our grave disadvantage.

This has been accomplished partially through alleged Soviet concessions on procedural points, but in the main the idea has gone forward because of the appearance



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ment sentiment which has been stirred up around official Washington by influential men and journals here.

Simultaneously, the Communist party in our country has also smashed much of our internal security system.

And yet, despite all this, most of our great journals such as the New York Times give the impression that Communism in the United States is sounding off its death rattle.

The folly of this over-pleasant view is indicated by a whole series of events, recorded by the Reds. One of them is the comparatively modest announcement made from Red China that in this month of March there will be inaugurated "New China's first weekly in English."

U.S. Flooded

It will be "a reliable, convenient, first-hand source of 24 pages, published every week in Peking," and rushed to you by the quickest route.

This new venture in the English language is only one

of a number of publications issued by Peking for the outer world and reaching our shores. The Peking weekly itself is a successor of the fortnightly magazine, People's China.

Two other kindred magazines in English come into the United States, both beautiful and slick pieces of work, China's Pictorial and China Reconstructs.

In addition, the Foreign Peking now vies with its model, the Foreign Languages Publishing House of Moscow, in issuing carefully prepared and well printed reports such as the recent book, New China Advances to Socialism.

Thus, from China alone, the United States is being flooded with misinformation, distributed by the Communists and their friends, which is only one source of the tremendous Red propaganda going in an endless stream into local editorial offices, educational institutions and other opinion-molding agencies.

Hoover Speaks

This volume of Peking propaganda serves as a warning to us that the Party in this country has many more reserves than most of our great journals give it credit for.

That warning is sounded for us on a larger scale by the appearance of J. Edgar Hoover's book for popular consumption, Masters of Deceit, issued last week by Henry Holt and Company.

This book is a timely summing up of the indictments against Communism, its dedication to fundamental falsehood and its many false faces and extensive Aesopian language for the purpose of taking us in.

Every American can afford to read these words on page 77 of Mr. Hoover's book:

"The Communist Party is a highly disciplined tool of the Soviet Union in the United

States. In the 38 years since it came into being, it has developed a trained and potentially effective leadership that overnight, should the situation become favorable, could expand into a mass organization of great potential power."

Menace Grows

The truth of this assertion was proved by the author in preceding pages when he showed what comparatively small handfuls of Communists have taken over the governments of all Soviet-controlled nations.

Anyone who has followed The Worker since December has been made conscious of the fact that the comrades here are counting on a deepening recession to give them that promised "mass organization."

Mr. Hoover goes on, drawing from his own rich experience as the head of the FBI, to state:

"The present menace is the rising feeling that it is a small, dissident element and need not be feared.

"As we relax our protections and ease up on security measures, we move closer and closer to a 'fool's paradise.'"

Without wishing to do so, The Worker of March 2 in its leading editorial confirms this declaration. Under the title, "McCarthy's Heritage," the Communist organ not only applauds the recent shattering of internal security but calls again for the ending of it all. It does so in these words:

"While the trend is back to the Bill of Rights, as evidenced by numerous court decisions and public expressions, there is still enough of McCarthyism around to make necessary continued alertness and struggle."

Mr. Hoover valiantly calls on all Americans to rebut this Communist challenge and to awaken from our lethargy in defense of the United States.

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"There is no doubt that America is now the prime target of International Communism," and it "is the major menace of our time." These are the related thoughts that may have prompted J. Edgar Hoover to write a new book.

Released this week under the title *Master of Deceit* (N. Y.: Henry Holt & Co. \$5), the 374-page work by the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation brings home facts which every American should know about the Red conspiracy.

Even those who think they understand Communism can learn much from "a body of knowledge that we dare not be without" about the day-to-day operations of the Communist Party, USA.

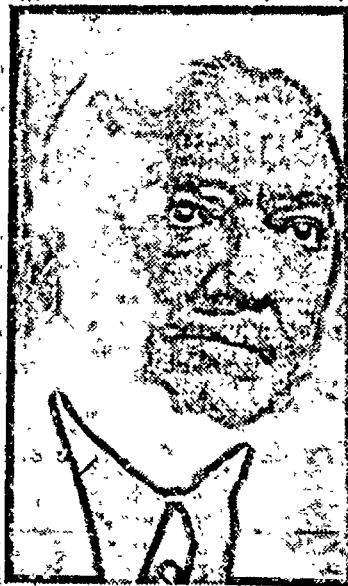
Few writers would be better qualified to author an authentic book of this kind than FBI Director Hoover, who since 1919 has been in almost constant contact with the aims and deeds of the Party's "Communist man."

"Communism is more than an economic, political, social, or philosophical doctrine," he said in the foreword. "It is a way of life; a false, materialistic 'religion.' It would strip man of his belief in God, his heritage of freedom, his trust in love, justice, and mercy.

"Under Communism, all would become, as so many already have, twentieth-century slaves."

Reviewer Critical

These and similar state-



AUTHOR HOOVER

"America Is Prime Target"

ments evoked a sly dig last Sunday by a New York Times reviewer, whose anti-anti-Communist bias was revealed in nearly every line of his churlish criticism.

"His own (Hoover's) strongly religious bent comes out in the emphasis he places on a connection between adherence to Communism and lack of a personal religious belief," he wrote.

By "bent," could he conceivably have intended to mean "bias"?

And "lack of a personal religious belief," indeed!

Hoover repeatedly pointed out that Communism requires the absolute denial of any belief in God, which

means rank atheism. That is something quite different from the ultra-liberal viewpoint that a man's personal beliefs, political or religious, are in no manner related to his membership in the Communist apparatus.

The reviewer's predilection was obvious from his first sentence, wherein he mentioned J. Edgar Hoover's thesis that the Communist Party within the U. S. is a clear and present danger.

"It is a view that not all of his 170 million anti-Communist fellow-Americans will readily accept," commented the critic.

We wonder, should he have said "anti-anti" and was he unaware that his attitude was precisely one of the dangers Hoover indicated in his book?

Communist Mentality

Hoover contended that "the time is far too late not to recognize this 'ism' for what it is: a threat to humanity and to each of us."

For that reason the book "is an attempt to explain Communism — what it is, how it works, what its aims are, and, most important of all, what we need to know to combat it."

Toward the end of the volume, the following typical statements appear:

"Something utterly new has taken root in America during the past generation, a Communist mentality representing a systematic, pur-

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positive, and conscious attempt to destroy Western civilization and roll history back to the age of barbaric cruelty and despotism, all in the name of progress."

"Evil is depicted as good, terror as justice, hate as love, and obedience to a foreign master as patriotism . . .

"Communist thought control, in all its various capacities, has spread the infection, in varying degrees, to most phases of American life."

Numbers Meaningless

Hoover makes a strong point in warning the reader that "in recent years there has been a tendency to discount the menace of domestic Communism solely because of a decline in Party membership."

He presents evidence aplenty to prove that not only the

Russian people but the satellite populations were taken over by very small minorities of dedicated Red agents.

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Regarding this point the New York reviewer stumbles on in typical blind-spot fashion by saying:

"There is at times a naive and at times a slightly dated quality to the contents of Mr. Hoover's book, which, as he himself says, is written in almost primer form. It is dated because American Communism itself is dated, with no longer any strength or influence, with no 'front' organizations of any power, with no toe-hold in government, in labor, in the press, in any significant area of American life."

There you have it, straight from the typewriter of Reviewer John B. Oakes, who is described in a footnote as "a member of The Times editorial board."

We wish we could believe him, but who are we to question the word of the Times editorial board?

After all, hasn't the New York Times for some years shown that it knows more about Communism than Mr. Hoover does?

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Furthermore the numerical strength of the Party has not been a decisive factor in countries, (including Russia itself), now under communist rule. Wherever they are found the communists exert an influence out of proportion to their numbers. This is so because the Party appropriates every moment of the member's time and every particle of his energy. For example, Party wives are typing, mimeographing, running errands. Their husbands will have after-work assignments, collecting dues, soliciting funds, attending meetings, marching in picket lines, calling on prospective members. The party is a hard taskmaster. Its commands, however unreasonable, must have instant compliance.

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A member whose wife complained of his neglect of their family was ordered to divorce her. There is the constant demand for money. Besides paying dues the members are pressured into making donations usually to the amount of a week's wage. All this activity is directed by the Party functionary, a paid official trained as a rule in the Lenin School in Moscow, trained in all the devious arts of the revolutionary, trained above all in the destructive discipline of deceit.

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Masters of Deceit may be one-dimensional but it sounds a loud, clear and insistent warning that only the fond and foolish will ignore.



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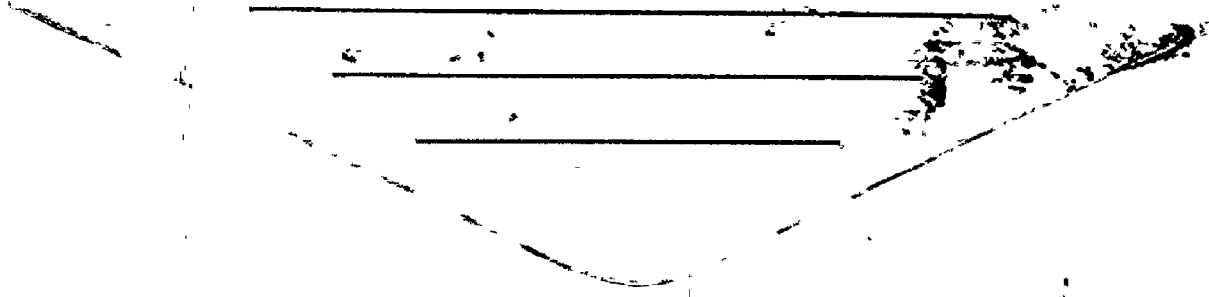
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E. J. HOOVER
WASH-25-D.C.

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**The Story Is Just About Over
But the Serial Has Just Begun**

A local gazette is currently serializing J. Edgar Hoover's somewhat obsolete tome on U. S. Communists with headlines emphasizing that we are in clear and present danger of being overrun by the local Kremmites. As a footnote we reprint here the following from an exclusive, detailed story which appeared in yesterday's Post under Ted Poston's by-line.

The Communist Party U. S. A., torn by internal dissension and riddled by mass resignations, has plummeted to fewer than 3,000 dues-paying members, an all-time low.

Let's face it, history has caught up with the U. S. Communists and overtaken author Hoover. But who will say so in a public place?

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1212 Grand Concourse
Bronx
New York 56, New York

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Dear [Redacted]

Thank you very much for your thoughtful note of April 16, 1958, in which you commented so favorably regarding my book, "Masters of Deceit." It is reassuring that you found it of such interest.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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April 16, 1958
1212 Grand Concourse
Bronx 56, N.Y.

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Miss Gandy	

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Treasury Department
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Your recent book, "MASTERS OF DECEIT" is a very
expose of Communism and one well worthwhile reading.

My compliments on your achievement in this field.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature Box]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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- Miss Gandy _____

Following is an anonymous letter:

" 4/20/58

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Attached to this anonymous letter is an article from
N. Y. Post, 4/17/58, pertaining to "Masters of
Deceit" and is entitled "The Story is Just About
Over But the Serial Has Just Begun."

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April 22, 1958

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[Redacted]

Box 757
Alpine, Texas

Dear [Redacted]

Your most kind letter of April 14, 1958, has been received, and I want to thank you for your generous comments and offer of assistance. I share your hope that my book, "Masters of Deceit," will help alert the American people to the true dangers of atheistic communism.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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April 14

Dear Mr. Hoover,

I have been a reader, admirer, and very appreciative of your worthy position as long as I can remember. I put your article "If I Had A Son" (several years ago) in my son's scrap books.

I am saving your articles of "Masters of Deceit" being published in the Fort Worth Star Telegram, and I have the book. I think this will do much to open the people's eyes and minds.

If there is ever anything I could do to help in a small way in a small town I will be happy to do so.

Yours truly,

/s/

BOX 757
Alpine, Texas

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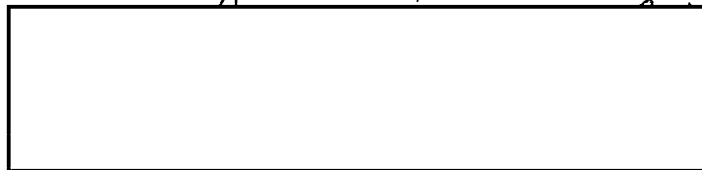
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Yours truly



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Information Division
Headquarters USAREUR
APO 403
New York, New York

Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your thoughtful note of April 14, 1958, regarding the copy of "Masters of Deceit" which I was happy to autograph to you at [Redacted] request.

Your kind comments and personal regards are deeply appreciated, and I earnestly hope you will enjoy reading the book.

Sincerely yours,

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NOTE: At the request of [Redacted] of Boston, Massachusetts, the Director autographed a copy of "Masters of Deceit" to [Redacted] on March 24, 1958. Bufiles reflect no identifiable derogatory data concerning him.

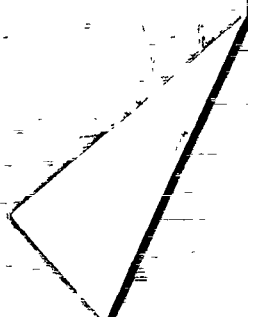
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- Mr. Nease ✓
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- Mr. Clayton
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Holloman
- Miss Gandy

Heidelberg, Germany
14 April, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Ninth & Pennsylvania Avenues North West
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Your book, "Masters of Deceit," arrived here a few days ago, and it managed the long journey in perfect condition.

Its arrival, while not a complete surprise, was something I had been looking forward to with anticipation. The reason for the lack of a "complete surprise" is the fact that [redacted] of Boston, who has spoken and written of you so often in the highest terms, had advised me some time ago that I would be receiving a copy of your book with his compliments.

For his kindness I am very grateful, and for your kindness in sending it to me, with the personal message you added, I am most grateful.

I am looking forward with anticipation to the full reading, having started it over the weekend. I am certain the book will do much to acquaint many of our people at home with the dangers that are always present and why they are there, although they generally pass unnoticed and therefore unrecognized by much of the general public.

As you probably know [redacted] were here in Heidelberg last fall for a few days, and [redacted] and I had many pleasant hours in their company.

My sincere thanks to you Mr. Hoover, and kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

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[Redacted]

208 Ridglea Bank Building
Fort Worth, Texas

Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your letter of April 14, 1958,
with which you forwarded a copy of my book, "Masters of
Deceit."

Your kind words regarding the book are deeply
appreciated, and I consider it a pleasure to autograph your
copy to the [Redacted] Bishop of San Juan,
Puerto Rico. As you requested, I am forwarding the book to
him in the book mailer you so thoughtfully enclosed.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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enclosed by the correspondent carries adequate postage to forward the
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FORT WORTH, TEXAS

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April 14, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Pennsylvania at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Your book "Masters of Deceit", is a masterpiece and no doubt will be on top of the best seller's list.

A good friend of mine, and an ardent follower of your work, is in the New England Deaconess Hospital in Boston, recuperating from lung surgery. He is the [Redacted] of San Juan (Catholic), Puerto Rico. *mass*

His physician advises me that he is able to read. To aid his recovery, I would like to present him with an autographed copy of your book. *E*

It is my hope that you will be able to autograph this volume and send it on to [Redacted] in the addressed, stamped container which is also enclosed.

Thank you very much REC-42

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Luther A. Huston
Director of Public Information

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Luther:

It was certainly kind of you to send over the reviews of "Masters of Deceit." Your thoughtfulness in bringing these reviews to my attention is deeply appreciated, and I want you to know that I am very pleased with the reception the book is receiving throughout the country.

Sincerely,

J. Edgar

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- Assistant Attorney General, Civil
- Assistant Attorney General, Lands
- Assistant Attorney General, Criminal
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- Assistant Attorney General, Internal Security
- Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights
- Administrative Assistant Attorney General
- Budget and Accounts Office
- Records Administration Office
- Personnel Office
- Administrative Services Office
- Supplies and Printing Section
- Transcription Section
- Director, FBI
- Assistant to the Director - Room 5640
- Director of Prisons
- Director, Office of Alien Property
- Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization
- Pardon Attorney
- Parole Board
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- Librarian

MEMORANDUM

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Some reviews you may not have seen.

L. H. (Luther Huston)

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- Mr. Tamm ✓
- Mr. Trotter ✓
- Mr. Casper ✓
- Mr. Egan ✓
- Mr. Gandy ✓

MEMORANDUM

If you haven't seen
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Luther ^{IH} Huston

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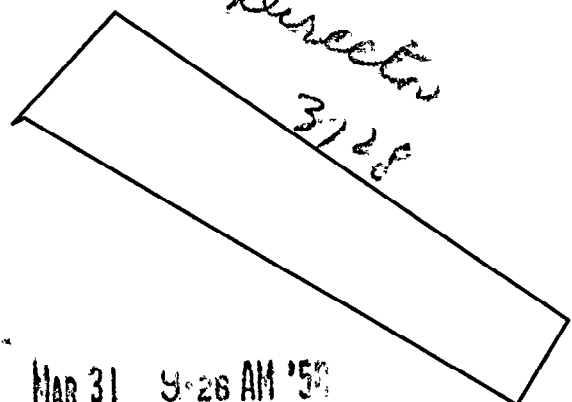
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the President by the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America.

The telegram follows:

MARCH 25, 1958.

President DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.

Continuous decline in farm income is a serious problem to workers, as it is to farmers. Billions of dollars of purchasing power, which could be used to stem the increasingly-serious recession, have been lost because of policies which are forcing farm families into poverty. Stoppag measures are immediately necessary to stop further drops in the already depression-like incomes of farm families. We respectfully urge that you sign Senate Joint Resolution 162.

In fighting this measure, Secretary of Agriculture Benson is using the same technique which he has previous used against labor and about which we have previously complained to you. From 1955 to 1957 Secretary Benson attempted to blame workers' wage gains for farmers' economic plight. Now, he is trying to blame farmers' price supports for high food prices workers must pay. The attempt is to set one group off against the other, to incite one group against the other. We urge that you dramatically show your rejection of this extremely dangerous divide and conquer technique by signing the farm price supports bill.

AMALGAMATED MEAT CUTTERS AND BUTCHER WORKMEN OF NORTH AMERICA, AFL-CIO,

THOMAS J. LLOYD, *President*
PATRICK E. GORMAN, *Secretary-Treasurer*.

J. Edgar Hoover's Book, Masters of Deceit, Reviewed by Lawrence Sullivan,
House Coordinator of Information

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

OF

HON. FRANCES P. BOLTON

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 20, 1958

Mrs. BOLTON. Mr. Speaker, America has waited many years for J. Edgar Hoover's intimate, down-to-earth picture of communism at work in the land of the free. Now the FBI Director has put his life's work into a book, Masters of Deceit, published by Henry Holt & Co., 383 Madison Avenue, New York, at \$5 a copy. I hope every American will make an effort to read this book.

Lawrence Sullivan, our Coordinator of Information in the House of Representatives, has written a most interesting review of Mr. Hoover's book. Under leave to extend my remarks, I include his review herewith.

The review follows:

THE FBI DESCRIBES AMERICAN COMMUNISM
(By Lawrence Sullivan, Coordinator of Information, U. S. House of Representatives)

America has waited many years for J. Edgar Hoover's intimate, down-to-earth picture of communism at work in the land of the free.

Now the Director of the FBI has put his life's work into a book, Masters of Deceit, published by Henry Holt & Co., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, N. Y., at \$5.

Not content with a thoroughly documented summary of Communist destruction over the last 40 years, Hoover concludes with

a clear and easy-to-remember set of operating rules for every patriot who would like to do something, personally, to help plow under atheistic communism forever.

His final chapter, How To Stay Free, is a clarion call for a new Crusade of patriotism.

As a history of our times, Hoover's book illuminates in compelling perspective all of the major economic, political, and international confusions of the 20th century. It is, truly, a once-in-a-lifetime memoir. If, somehow this book could be gotten into the hands of 10 million Americans, today's gravest challenge to world peace soon would be uprooted and destroyed, like a poison-ivy weed in a beautiful garden.

Why did Hoover take time to put this amazing document together? Because, he explains, "Every citizen has a duty to learn more about the menace that threatens his future, his home, his children, and the peace of the world. . . . If you will take time to inform yourself you will find that communism 'holds no mysteries. . . . This book is an attempt to explain communism—what it is, how it works, what its aims are, and most important of all, what we need to know to combat it.'"

Hoover knows more about this subject than any man alive. He has fought communism barehanded since 1919: All the major crimes of world communism through 40 years are here capitulated, with the capstone of political savagery resting upon the troubled brow of Mao Tse-tung in Red China, who "admitted that 800,000 of his fellow countrymen had been liquidated between 1949 and 1954."

At that point the lights of civilization went out in China.

No review, however sympathetic, could hope to convey the full impact of Hoover's day-by-day chronicle of communism at work in America—the poisonous hate, the pagan ferocity, the dementia of destructive purpose spewed daily along a thousand fronts of subversion, espionage, infiltration, and sabotage throughout our peaceful and law-abiding land.

Communism springs in the human soul primarily from hatred, and it seeks only to destroy. The deepest motivations of communism, as here delineated by the man who has cataloged them for 40 years, are chiefly sadistic.

The famous Lenin School in Moscow, established in 1920, became the top training center for Communist shock-troop leaders in all nations. Here were taught the tactics of revolution and civil war.

"The Soviets wanted rough-and-ready revolutionists, men who would kill, murder, blow up trains, and start revolutions. . . . The National Committee of the Communist Party in the United States includes such graduates of the Lenin School as Eugene Dennis, Claude Lightfoot, Carl Winter, Simon W. Gerson, William Weinstein, Nat Ganley, Steve Nelson, and others. Former Lenin School graduates include such well-known Communists as Betty Gannett, Gus Hall, Albert Lannon, Phil Bart, Rose Wortis, Loretta Stack, Henry Winston, and numerous others" (p. 66).

Nor is there any confusion in the FBI as to the real aims of the Communist Party in this country.

"To make the United States a Communist nation is the ambition of every party member, regardless of position or rank," Hoover writes.

In 1922 party membership in the United States was about 12,400. By midterm of Herbert Hoover's administration Communist Party membership hit an alltime low of 7,500 in 1930.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt's formal recognition of Soviet Russia in November 1933 gave Communists equal legal standing with our own political parties. Thereafter Communist Party membership skyrocketed

to a peak of 80,000 in 1944. At that point, the party in the United States was stronger in numbers than the Soviet Party was at the time it seized power in Russia.

By 1955 party membership in the United States had declined to 22,600, and by the summer of 1957 membership had further declined.

But for every affiliated party member ten others are ready, willing, and able to do the party's work.

There were only 20,000 formal members of the Communist Party in Bulgaria in September 1945, when that country of 7 million population was taken over as a Kremlin satellite.

Official Communist doctrine, as quoted by the FBI from Moscow documents, offers a simple plan for the proposed Red takeover in the United States:

"The principles upon which a Soviet American would be organized would be the same, in every respect, as those which guided the Soviet Union."

There are thousands of dedicated Communists in America working in secret every day toward a Communist America.

"But also, thank God," concludes J. Edgar Hoover, "there are millions of Americans who oppose them. If we open our eyes, inform ourselves, and work together, we can keep our country free."

Every downturn in the United States business graphs is a signal for a new Communist field day.

"Actually, Communists would like to develop an economic crisis" (p. 193).

Systematic infiltration of schools, churches, the press and radio, women's clubs and civic clubs, labor unions and farm groups is a cardinal principle of Communist mass agitation. But all such invasions are regarded by the party leaders as, but initial steps to the ultimate destruction of our democratic institutions. The first Communist dictum, Hoover warns, is this: "Cooperation or collaboration with non-Communists must never be more than a tactic."

American Negroes have been perhaps the most tragic victims of Communist mass agitation, and the controversy on integration has given the Communists a field day.

"The Negro, in Communist eyes, was a mere pawn, to be manipulated for the attainment of party aims" (p. 245).

"The party claim that it is working for Negro rights is a deception and a fraud. The party's sole interest, as most American Negroes know, is to hoodwink the Negro, to exploit him and use him as a tool to build a Communist America."

"The party has made vigorous efforts to infiltrate the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. This organization in 1950 authorized its board of directors to revoke the charter of any chapter found to be Communist controlled."

Nevertheless, the Communist Party has been caught at infiltration tactics in several powerful NAACP centers, notably Philadelphia, New Orleans, Gary, Ind., and Cincinnati, Ohio (p. 246).

"Communism does not mean better housing, improved social conditions, or a more strict observance of civil rights. The vast majority of Negro leaders have rebuffed the Communists' attempt to exploit them. . . . The call of the future must be a rekindled American faith based on our priceless heritage of freedom, justice, and the religious spirit."

Hoover also documents in scholarly fashion the violent anti-Semitic policies of Soviet Russia under Stalin, which have alienated so many honest liberals recently throughout Europe and America. He cites the Yiddish-language newspaper Folks-Shtimme in Warsaw, April 4, 1956, "that Jewish culture has been largely liquidated under Stalin and many Jewish leaders executed."

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"These monstrous deeds of anti-Semitism in Russia have had profound repercussions among Communists in the United States," Hoover adds.

The 16th national convention of the United States Communist Party in New York, February 1957, pointedly "refused to condemn tyranny and proven anti-Semitism of the Soviet Union" (p. 77).

The New York resolution to denounce Russian anti-Semitism was offered by Prof. Morris U. Schappes. It noted "the liquidation of the outstanding Yiddish writers and Jewish communal and political leaders, and the snuffing out of organized Jewish cultural life" in Russia and all the Kremlin satellite areas.

Instead of being called up for debate and action, this resolution was deftly soft-pedaled (as was a similar resolution denouncing Soviet terrorism in Hungary) by being referred to the national committee of the party for study. Thus the American Communist convention quietly pigeonholed the only resolution offered to denounce and condemn the unending campaign of extermination against the Jewish people behind the Iron Curtain.

"One of the most malicious myths that has developed in the United States is that persons of the Jewish faith and Communists have something in common. The people who gave the world the concept of the monotheistic God and the Ten Commandments cannot remain Jewish and follow the atheism of Karl Marx and the deceit of the Communist movement."

The American Jewish League Against Communism is cited as "the first American organization to expose and document the Communist anti-Jewish policies" (p. 258).

Philip M. Klutznick, the president of B'nai B'rith, is quoted, that only in Soviet Russia and its satellites is "Jewish life languishing and approaching extinction."

But the cruel betrayal of Negroes, Jews, Hungarians—any people, any creed—never fazes the Kremlin high command. Khrushchev himself is the author of the directive that the party must go on, at whatever moral cost.

Said Khrushchev at a 1957 diplomatic fete in Moscow: "Those who expect us to abandon communism will have to wait until a shrimp learns to whistle."

Textiles Need Federal Help

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

OF

HON. THOMAS J. LANE

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 19, 1958

Mr. LANE. Mr. Speaker, under leave to extend my remarks in the RECORD, I wish to include an editorial concerning the unemployment situation in the textile industry in the New England area, which appeared in the Evening Tribune, Lawrence, Mass., on March 21, 1958:

TEXTILES NEED FEDERAL HELP

The unemployment situation in the textile industry has its effect on New England economy. It needs specific, stimulating action by the Federal Government, and a move in that direction has just been made by the Northern Textile Association.

While the administration has proposed a program to invigorate private production and employment to combat the present recession the textile industry in this Nation has been suffering from a severe depression

brought on, in large measure, by shrinking export markets and increased imports of foreign goods.

Employment in this industry in the United States has declined by 344,000 jobs since 1950, and it is a well-known fact that short time, layoffs, financial losses and liquidations continue to beset the industry.

Federal policies should be guided toward maintaining employment of the 900,000 workers left in this industry in this country. Instead, production which would provide thousands of jobs in textiles and apparels has been channeled into the hands of foreign mills with the help of United States Government financing of textile machinery and raw materials.

We could never understand why the procurement of textiles financed or purchased with Federal Government cash is not given to American mills. Last year alone, for example, United States funds in the amount of \$88 million were spent for the purchase of foreign textiles.

It just doesn't make sense.

Foreign Aid

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

OF

HON. W. J. BRYAN DORN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 26, 1958

Mr. DORN of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, under leave to extend my remarks in the RECORD, I include the following statement by the American Coalition of Patriotic Societies:

FOREIGN AID

(Statement by American Coalition of Patriotic Societies, 301 Washington Building, Washington, D. C., March 1958)

Foreign aid has now reached a critical stage and legislation this spring will establish a pattern for years to come. Either the program will begin to contract or it will continue to expand. We believe the time has come to contract. In support of our views, we desire to recite certain facts and conclusions.

EXPENDITURES FOR FOREIGN AID

By June 30, 1958, expenditures for military and economic foreign aid since July 1, 1945, will have amounted to approximately \$70 billion. This is the equivalent of one-quarter of our national debt. The interest on this sum approximately \$2.5 billion annually, which is a continuing charge and must be added to the annual expenditures of foreign aid in order to arrive at the total yearly cost. As foreign-aid expenditures grow, so will the interest charges.

INCREASING COST OF FOREIGN AID

Annual military and economic foreign-aid expenditures have averaged at least \$4.5 billion dollars in recent years and there is no sign of any reduction. On the contrary, the President has requested for fiscal year 1959 \$1 billion more of new money than was appropriated for fiscal year 1958.

NUMBER OF COUNTRIES RECEIVING FOREIGN AID

Under the Marshall plan, in 1948, foreign aid was given to some 14 countries. Assistance is now being extended to 67 countries and the number of recipients is increasing each year.

PROPORTION OF NONMILITARY EXPENDITURES

The managers of foreign aid have represented that 75 percent of our assistance is military. This is inaccurate. In fact, more

than 60 percent of foreign-aid expenditures are for nonmilitary items and services.

WASTE

Very large amounts of military aid have been wasted by bad planning, mismanagement, and lack of proper controls.

The waste and extravagance in every phase of the economic-aid program has been grotesque. The list of horrible examples in country after country over the years is far too long to enumerate and the amount dissipated runs into billions of dollars.

POINT IV

Point IV was originally intended as a means of teaching teachers and imparting American skills and know-how. However, it has become inextricably involved with industrial development, lush engineering contracts and surveys, and other programs that have no relationship to the original purposes. It has also become so diffused through our efforts to do a little of everything in every part of the world that at last count we were conducting nearly 2,000 technical cooperation projects. It has proved impossible to man and supervise all these projects properly.

USE OF FOREIGN AID TO REDUCE INTERNAL DEBTS

Large amounts of foreign aid have been used to meet the deficits and to reduce the internal debts of recipient countries. United States Treasury checks have been handed to ministers of certain countries for budget support or other purposes without further knowledge of who ultimately received the money and how it was spent.

FOREIGN AID GIVEN TO ANTAGONISTIC COUNTRIES

More than \$2 billion of foreign aid has been given away to countries antagonistic or unsympathetic to the United States and to our way of life. This includes Russia.

INVESTMENT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE CAPITAL

Large grants and loans have been made to countries that have done everything possible to discourage the investment of foreign private capital.

ABSENCE OF JUSTIFIED PROGRAMS

A significant amount of economic aid has been accorded to recipient countries in the absence of adequately justified programs. This kind of political assistance becomes a substitute for sound diplomacy and definite policies and therefore takes on the characteristics of bribery or blackmail.

SOFT CURRENCY LOANS

The development lending fund upon which the administration now places so much emphasis is unsound in its conception because of the weight given to soft currency loans. The Fairless committee appointed by the President to study foreign aid, condemned soft loans and said, "Our relations with other countries will suffer from United States control of large amounts of their currencies." We cannot convert these currencies into dollars, and shall therefore either have to use them within the countries under conditions that open us to the charge of imperialism or give them away in which case the so-called loans become a device for further grant aid.

SOVIET ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

Administration propaganda to the effect that the Soviet bloc is outspending the United States in economic assistance to countries we wish to preserve for the free world is entirely incorrect.

BUREAUCRATIC CONTROL

In the expansion of this vast program which started as a 4-year emergency project under the Marshall plan but which is now put forward by the administration as a semi-permanent instrument of our foreign policy, a constantly growing and self-perpetuating bureaucracy has entrenched itself and in reality controls both policy and operations. There is ample evidence that this bureauc-

breeze. Melodic trills trail from shadowed branches to sound spring's symphonic theme. And from ancient roots spreads a newly dyed carpet of green that keynotes the vernal color scheme.

Dogwood puts forth delicate starred blossoms to create pale enchantment and bright-hued azaleas flame in brilliant contrast against the rich green foliage of camellia and magnolia.

The formal garden lies warm in the sun and spring's harbingers line shaded walks with crocus, jonquil, snowdrop, and hyacinth.

Here is beauty incarnate as spring lends new loveliness to the magnificent settings of old.

Jack Carley, of Memphis Commercial Appeal, Writes Outstanding Review of Masters of Deceit

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

OF

HON. KENNETH B. KEATING

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 6, 1958

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, one of the finest reviews of J. Edgar Hoover's important book, *Masters of Deceit*, has been penned by Jack Carley, of the staff of the Memphis Commercial Appeal. As Mr. Carley so clearly points out, this book is a guidebook to the day-to-day operations of the nefarious Communist conspiracy, and it emphasizes that we must not slacken our efforts to combat these subversives just because on the surface their membership has declined.

Mr. Carley has paid perhaps the highest tribute possible to Mr. Hoover and his book when he states:

In its authoritativeness and presentation, *Masters of Deceit* measures up in every way to the perfectionist standards the FBI's Director sets for the organization he has developed and led for so many achieving years.

As I stated on the floor of the House several weeks ago, *Masters of Deceit* should be widely read by our young people and by Members of Congress. I am delighted Mr. Carley agrees with this sentiment in his concluding paragraph. Under leave previously granted, I insert his outstanding review at this point in the RECORD:

[From the Memphis (Tenn.) Commercial Appeal of March 9, 1958]

HOOVER EXPLAINS RED CONSPIRACY, ADVISES HOW TO FIGHT IT IN UNITED STATES—FBI'S DIRECTOR DRAWS FROM MANY YEARS TO EXPOSE PERIL

(Reviewed by Jack Carley, staff, the Commercial Appeal)

It is unlikely that any one but the author could have written this definitive and timely work on the Communist conspiracy and its operations in the United States. We say that advisedly because Mr. Hoover's definitions and conclusions are based on almost a lifetime of observation of communism as Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

It is this fact which gives *Masters of Deceit* its validity. Actually, the work is a monumental but easily read and understood textbook on an international criminal undertaking which poses such a threat to free world cultures. As such, it will be a source book for serious students and equally for

those who have a direct responsibility for the Nation's safeguarding. It is an exposition of fact which is completely objective in presentation and in delineation of methods with which the conspiracy and its agent can be countered successfully.

TIMELY TO CHECK RUSE

Its special timeliness lies in the fact that the current Soviet diplomatic line is one of pseudosweetness and light and because too many Americans are construing the decline in Communist Party membership as progressive weakening of the conspiratorial strength in the United States. The opposite, of course, is true. Commenting on this in *Masters of Deceit*, Mr. Hoover says:

"In recent years there has been a tendency to discount the menace of domestic Communists solely because of a decline in party membership. In fact, some have gone so far as to say, '... the party ... is almost over.' Let's examine the statement:

"In 1922, when Communist Party membership reached 12,400, William Z. Foster, chairman emeritus of the party's national committee, said: 'We no longer measure the importance of revolutionary organizations by size. In some places where there are only 1 or 2 men, more results are obtained than where they have larger organizations.' The insignificance of numbers has been proved in every country where communism has gained control, Russia, of course, not excepted.

TOP SECRETS NOT BARED

The most avid readers of *Masters of Deceit* will probably be Communist functionaries not too concerned about what the author may have to say about them but hoping that he may reveal of the content of FBI files covering well more than 3 decades of incessant and meticulous investigative effort pertaining to communism. They can save themselves trouble by reading the foreword for there Mr. Hoover says:

"Obviously this book does not pretend to disclose a body of material known only to the FBI. What it does express is a hope that all of us may develop a shared body of rudimentary knowledge about communism: a body of knowledge that we dare not be without.

"It attempts, in almost primer form, to set down certain fundamentals of the day-to-day operations of the Communist Party, U. S. A.: how a meeting is conducted; how a top party official lives; what goes on in the underground; how discipline is enforced; how party members collect money, attend indoctrination schools, hand out propagandist leaflets. Party members are shown organizing agitation campaigns, infiltrating non-Communist organizations, and manipulating Communist fronts. The best way to appreciate the nature and objectives of an enemy is to observe him in action."

ENEMY OF THE FREE WORLD

Mr. Hoover has more than succeeded admirably in setting out in exact detail the mind and mechanics of this free-world enemy. In its authoritativeness and presentation, *Masters of Deceit* measures up in every way to the perfectionist standards the FBI's Director sets for the organization he has developed and led for so many achieving years.

"The Communist Party," says Mr. Hoover " ... is a state within a state. The party's objective is to produce a 'politically mature' comrade—'Communist man' who will work ceaselessly for the revolution that would make our United States part of the Soviet system."

Copies of *Masters of Deceit* should be in every college library and every high school classroom. It should be on the desk of every Member of the Congress and every Cabinet officer. It should be read by every American who believes in freedom and has a passion to stay free. It is that important.

The Late Honorable John J. Dempsey

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

OF

HON. W. J. BRYAN DORN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 26, 1958

Mr. DORN of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, the late John J. Dempsey was one of the most outstanding Americans it has ever been my privilege to know personally. He was an asset to this great deliberative body. He served with dignity, honor, and integrity. This House is a better body by having known and served with him. He was a great governor, served the National Government in the highest traditions and was a superb United States Representative.

Mr. Speaker, above all, he was American to the core. He loved his country, free enterprise system; and the great Southwest that he so ably represented. I extend to Mrs. Dempsey and the children my most heartfelt and deepest sympathy.

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We have established a foundation called Medico, under the International Rescue Committee. And, very basically, we are going to furnish to the world medical service—medical service to the villages of foreign lands on the level of the village. We're not going to stand up in any haughty, gray flannel suit on a pedestal and say, "Be as we are," but we're going to get knee deep in the—you know what—and help the people, push 'em up by the seats of their pants. We're going to splash teams all over south-east Asia. We now have ready and standing by, six medical teams which, thanks to your aid, now have their medicines. We are going to get all of our supplies from the great pharmaceutical houses of America and from our friends such as you. The personnel for our missions will come from the well of fitness that I am sure is in this country. The dollars for our missions will come from anybody who will give them. The host government will offer to us the cooperation that the Laos Government has offered to us. The Laos Government paid all the salaries of my people. The Laos Government gave me my gasoline, my kerosene. The Laos Government gave us every single cooperation that anyone could ask for. We are asking the other nations of Asia to do as well for us, as the Government of Laos has done.

We are going out into the areas and do just as we have done here—complete a job and then get the devil out of there—go home—and I'm sure that we'll be invited back to build another hospital someplace else. And, I don't care whether people say my hospitals aren't good; I don't care whether they say I haven't got X-ray, I haven't got electricity, I haven't got plumbing, I haven't got a lavatory, I haven't got a microscope. We have it. We have had, and we shall have, the only important necessity of a hospital anywhere in the world. Our hospitals will have compassion.

We have a Medical Advisory Board—people to guide us. I'm the hyperthyroid part, perhaps I'm the prostate part of this message. We have people that have to give us cerebral action, too, and so we have formed a Medical Advisory Board, headed by a very good friend and a very magnificent Washington physician, whose name is Dr. Peter Commendures. We're not going to work under any government or any auspices and we would not accept money from the Government if it were offered to us. Too many Americans are stuffing off responsibilities to the Government. Too many Americans say, "Why do you bother with this? What business is it of yours?" "Let the Government do it; you pay an income tax. Go out and get a foundation grant. Don't go out and yell yourself hoarse every night."

We'll raise our own money on a person-to-person basis here so that we can go here and continue a person-to-person basis there. We shall be the hands—the heart will be in America.

The Medical Advisory Board is headed by Dr. Commendures, who is now in the hospital of Dr. Albert Schweitzer. He is on a tour of the world to see 25 nations to ask what we can do to serve them. The members of our board are such giants of medicine as Dr. Oehener, Dr. Bower, Dr. Howard Rusk, Dr. Melvin Casberg, Dr. Alfons Mc Mann, and many others. This is Medico of the International Rescue Committee, your Medico. And cutting out all that heavy-touted, academic, and auspicious verbiage, we are going to go out and take care of people who "ain't got it so good."

Two days ago, at 3 o'clock, I received a telegram from Dr. Commendures who is now in the hospital of Schweitzer, and let me read you a few parts. I think Schweitzer is the most magnificent humanitarian I have ever met and I think you all agree. And the telegram from Dr. Commendures says this:

"I am now authorized to announce that for the first time in his life, Albert Schweitzer has accepted honorary chairmanship of the Medical Advisory Council of Medico of the International Rescue Committee, to which he wishes a brilliant future in keeping with his already distinguished contributions to human beings who bear the mark of pain. Seeing Dr. Schweitzer's hospital has made me realize even more acutely the indescribable need of doctors in Asia—of doctors in Africa. The brutal conditions under which such jungle doctors must operate and the inestimable human warmth and relief from suffering that they can bring. Dr. Schweitzer asked me to convey his deepest gratitude and his most ardent support to Medico. He sends his deepest wishes to you all who are associated and who have made possible this extraordinarily valuable conception. He says that the work of Medico is urgent and difficult and that the load is hard, requiring courageous and practical men and women and much material help. Dr. Schweitzer said, 'I endorse the work of Medico with all my heart and pray that God will bless it with the success which will, therefore, ease the suffering of those who, on our earth, are wretched and miserable.' (Signed Peter Commendures, Lamba Rene, French Equatorial Africa.)"

And may I add this closing thought from a personal letter which I received from Dr. Schweitzer. It's a partial explanation of the motives that you asked about, John. Written by Schweitzer, sent to Dooley, and here, now, offered humbly to all of you. He said, "I don't know what your destiny will ever be, but this I do know, those of you who will have real happiness will be those of you who seek and find how to serve."

Thank you.

Azalea Time—Charleston, S. C.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

OF

HON. W. J. BRYAN DORN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 26, 1958

Mr. DORN of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, in planning your Easter vacation, I commend to the Congressmen, their wives, and attachés the unsurpassed beauty, elegance, architecture, and tidewater tranquility of Charleston, S. C. To Americans everywhere I recommend a visit to this beautiful city during the coming Easter season.

In recent years, warm weather caused the azaleas to bloom sporadically. This year, an abnormally cool winter and spring retarded the blooming of the wisteria, azaleas, pittosporum, and other traditional flowers to the point where they will reach a peak of exotic and unparalleled beauty during the Easter season. Old Charleston with its narrow streets, unique architecture, and rich history is more European than American. Before and after the Revolutionary period, Charleston was the gateway to the Western World. It formed very close ties with England and France and Charleston sons and daughters were educated in Europe. The finest furniture, silver, laces, and satins were almost as common in Charleston as in the capitals and seaports of Europe.

The traditions and hospitality of the Old South still reign supreme in Charles-

ton, the cradle of the Confederacy. To those who have never experienced the mysterious culture and fierce independence of this unusual American city, a visit there this season would be the climax of a lifetime. It has been my privilege to travel around the world but I have never seen beauty to rival the famous gardens of Charleston or the lovely little city of Summerville, 25 miles distant.

The Honorable MENDEL RIVERS represents Charleston in this Congress. I represent an industrial area far to the west. Therefore, I feel that I am in a position to evaluate Charleston objectively. Charleston has excellent highway, rail, and air facilities. A visit to this land of leisure, hanging moss, live oaks, magnolias, yellow jessamine, and the palmetto would always be to you a pleasant reminiscence.

Mr. Speaker, you will enjoy the following magnificently phrased articles, one by Jack Leland, Charleston News and Courier staff writer, and the other by Lucille E. Green, News and Courier woman's editor:

CITY READY TO SHARE HER BEAUTY

(By Jack Leland)

Charleston—the grande dame of the Carolina low country—garlands her hair with bright blossoms this week as she prepares to receive the annual rush of visitors who pause to see and stay to enjoy her breath-taking beauty.

From tiny walled gardens behind pastel and old brick walls, the cold pure beauty of the camellia vies with the warm flamboyance of azaleas as spring awakens in the low country lady's heart.

Up the meandering Ashley and Cooper Rivers, Charleston's famous gardens—magnolia, Middleton, cypress—are burgeoning corsages in midday's spring ensemble, last week's camellias and next week's azaleas awaiting side by side for the last surge of spring to make full flowers out of tiny buds. Wisteria vines hang expectant from the trees—their bronzed buds already 2 inches long—while red bud, flowering quince, forsythia, spirea, flowering peach, Oriental magnolia and bulbs blossom at lower levels.

Along low-country roadways, the bright yellow of the jessamine glistens in the tree-tops while sun-warmed breezes waft the flowery scent to the lucky passerby. In the depths of black-water swamps, tiny white violets—no larger than a raindrop—peep from beneath the leafy covering of last fall's death and the low-country's own "naked lady" lilies send their ivory and purple magnificence skyward from almost leafless bases.

The sun—still penetrating to the inner depths of Charleston's narrow streets and courtyards through treetops yet uncrowned by spring greenery—makes a walking tour of the old city a quiet joy to the town-tired tourist and that same sun—ever hastening the full flowering of Charleston's gardens—makes a wayside picnic a must for visitor and native son.

This is Charleston's loveliest time of the year—this spring, when God, nature and the hand of man combine to show the Lady by the Sea at her best.

SPRINGTIME WITCHERY

(By Lucille E. Green)

Once again springtime wafts its witchery o'er the Carolina low country. Its aurora of enchantment stretches from miniature garden to the great reaches of antebellum plantations.

At Boone Hall mighty oaks float lacy scarves of feathered moss on the perfumed

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To:

Re:

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A fine plug for
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American Letter--

Regards.

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Dear Sir:

THE ADMINISTRATION IS GAMBLING HEAVILY in withholding tax-cut proposals until after mid-April. Pressure for dramatic action to curb the business slide is nearing a climax. Delay is Eisenhower's only weapon against un-sound schemes. These would substitute a probably brief, rip-roaring inflationary whirl for the painful processes of normal economic readjustment.

When Congress returns from its 10-day Easter recess, Washington will have to face head-on the danger of doing too much or of doing too little about the recession. Either way it could court economic disaster, but the greater peril by far lies in taking the inflationary course.

Administration and congressional leaders alike realize that the drive for massive tax cuts threatens to get out of hand. But their hope now is for at least a modest seasonal improvement in business with better weather. The April recess might provide time enough for such a turn.

THE AMERICAN ECONOMY IS STRONG ENOUGH to endure the present shakeout with a minimum of artificial stimulation. Of this all but a few economists are convinced. But that is a sterile viewpoint if it ignores the human, political factor. With more than five million people out of work, what counts is action, not theory. No elected official can afford to sit by; and so it is a foregone conclusion that stimulants will be applied.

The question is, how much? When so respected (and conservative) an economist as Arthur Burns, former Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, urges immediate and substantial relief, he gets attention.

All the President has to do is give the word and Congress will act. But every delay buys time—and possibly a more moderate policy. Congress may be less willing in late April to fall for screwball schemes than it has appeared recently. But the danger is far from being past.

SOMETHING MUCH MORE FUNDAMENTAL than curing the recession is at stake. The issue really involves the basic nature of the American economic system. Our "free enterprise" or "people's capitalism" has tended increasingly to fall back on socialistic devices during periods of stress. This is all the more ominous because we are in an era during which vast defense outlays are dominating economic trends and reshaping our political institutions.

An acid test of courage is thus ahead for Congress and the Administration if the country is to be led back to prosperity without inflation.

"DOWN THE INFLATION ROAD TO SOCIALISM", the special Whaley-Eaton report published with last week's AMERICAN LETTER, has evidently struck a responsive note across the country. This is manifest in the flood of requests we are receiving for additional copies. They are still available.

EISENHOWER WINS UNEXPECTED SUPPORT for his tax-cut delay from Speaker Rayburn and Senate Democratic leader Johnson for two main reasons. First, as basically orthodox conservatives, they happen to agree with him and his Secretary of the Treasury in this case. They too worry about what a premature tax cut might do to a future inflationary spiral. Second, as practical politicians, they realize the deeper the recession gets and the longer it lasts, the dimmer become Republican election chances in November.

NIXON TRIES TO OFFSET this latter risk by beating the Democrats to the punch in urging an across-the-board tax cut. The Vice President, looking ahead to 1960, thus divorces himself somewhat from Eisenhower's policy and points the way for what he hopes will be a political comeback for the Republican party. He also plans two trips abroad this year—to South America and Europe—in an effort to build his prestige. He may visit Russia.

DEMOCRATS SENSE A VICTORY of 1936 proportions in next Fall's elections. To help assure this, they are trying desperately to maneuver their best vote-getters into key races for the Senate and House. Prime examples of this are the candidacies, or proposed candidacies, of Governors Muskie of Maine, Leader of Pennsylvania and McFarland of Arizona for Senate seats now held by Republicans. All would be favored to win their respective races.

The Maine situation will bear particular attention. Muskie, admittedly a popular governor, has won twice over a badly divided Republican camp. This time, however, he will be facing Sen. Payne, a good organizer and resourceful campaigner. If Muskie can unseat Payne in September, other Republican candidates the country over will have to run hard and fast.

THIS PORTENDS SOMETHING OF A REVOLUTION in congressional thinking from the middle-of-the-road approach of the last few years. Election of a large number of liberal Democrats to Congress will intensify the political bickering between the Executive and Legislative branches of the government and might even lead to a decline in the influence of such men as Rayburn and Johnson. They now are stabilizing forces in Congress.

The result easily could be governmental stalemate and turmoil during the last two years of the Eisenhower regime. This would come at the worst possible time, both from the domestic and foreign viewpoints. The economy needs direction and leadership that can come only from the White House. This is all the more true in the East-West power struggle.

THE ONCE-POTENT FARM BLOC is losing a lot of its sting in the Congress. House and Senate support for the proposed one-year farm-price "freeze" was far short of that needed to override a Presidential veto. There are chiefly two reasons for this shift: (1) The farm vote becomes less important as the number of farmers diminishes and (2) city voters are becoming more and more aroused about the high, and ever increasing, cost of foodstuffs.

Congressmen are bombarded by complaints from angry housewives who find larger shares of their budgets going for food. They protest they are paying twice—in high taxes and then in the high prices they support.

This is just a part of the story, however. Farm incomes have risen only slightly. Though supports play a big part in the picture, prices are pushed up by increasing wage costs and middleman profits. Congress is virtually helpless to do anything about the last two factors.

THE POLITICS OF UNEMPLOYMENT will get a first-class airing before the House Banking Committee next month. Chairman Spence (D-Ky.) has invited 10 governors to testify on problems in their states and on what should be done. Among them are Harriman of New York, Ribicoff of Connecticut, Knight of California, Clement of Tennessee, Leader of Pennsylvania. Mayors of a few major cities will also be asked to speak. The result may turn out to be a highly concentrated drive for public backing for make-work programs.

The chief one under consideration is a bill by Rep. Spence to finance community public works. The federal government would make direct loans and accept local bonds or notes—even where municipalities have already borrowed up to their statutory ceilings. Hearings open on April 14.

POLITICAL EDUCATION FOR MANAGEMENT is being pushed by private groups in hopes of spreading the gospel of active participation. This is meant as both an offset to the long-established political-action programs of the unions and as a way of improving the effectiveness of management as a voice in community, state and federal affairs. In several cities, companies are launching internal programs, including classes in "practical politics".

Although much of this activity is spontaneous, most of it is inspired by such groups as the "Effective Citizens' Organization", in New York.

THE RELATIONSHIP OF PRICES to Economic Growth and Stability will be explored in hearings by the Joint Economic Committee, May 12-22. An impressive lineup of economists from universities, private research organizations and the government will take part in discussions. Their written views, submitted in advance, will be published shortly. Although the talk will be academic, the implications—political and economic—are immediate.

The Full Employment Act of 1946 established federal responsibility for maintaining prosperity but is silent on controlling inflation. This omission must be corrected, leading economists feel. The hearings may bring out, despite current preoccupation with the recession, the need for bringing a halt to the perpetual upward motion of wages and prices.

Labor and management economists get their chance to comment after the May hearings are concluded. Committee Chairman Patman (D-Tex.) will ask their views for publication in June and hold hearings in September.

A NEW "SAVE THE RAILROADS" CAMPAIGN is getting direct results at the local level. State and municipal officials are being told that the fate of transportation facilities in their areas rests in their own hands. Real estate tax rates, for example, must be brought in line with those levied on others. Commuter traffic, a losing proposition, must be subsidized or it will be dropped. And more unprofitable routes will be abandoned.

Washington help is still demanded, but the railroads are making it clear that they will not be saved merely by dropping freight and passenger excises. They are keeping up the attack on discriminatory regulation generally to permit free and open competition with truck lines.

A new era of railroad mergers is also in the making as a direct means of eliminating cut-throat competition on parallel lines. At least half a dozen new groupings of major roads are well into the planning stage. Financial positions all around will be strengthened by such projects.

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THE TARIFF FIGHT ON THE MINING FRONT grows more and more complicated. Smelters, refiners and fabricators who have import interests as well as domestic mining problems are on a spot. Increased duties on concentrates from abroad will raise their manufacturing costs. A radical change in American foreign trade policy could foul up their long-range prospects. As a result, potent non-ferrous metals interests simply do not have common cause with the Western miners now clamoring for tariff help.

Mine interests insist the Administration must set up import quotas. So far Eisenhower has balked at this. When Interior Secretary Seaton appears before the Senate Interior Committee next month Westerners will oppose any stopgap calling only for stockpiling, or subsidy.

THE OIL IMPORT DILEMMA has moved closer to solution with the Administration's new quota proposals, but Congress has yet to be heard from. The "voluntary" restrictions involve only the importing companies—not independent producers. It is the latter group that has the chief grievance. It contends imports are doing basic harm to the domestic industry and is demanding amendments to the Reciprocal Trade Act for permanent quotas.

THE ADMINISTRATION BACKS AWAY, quietly but surely, from its plan to cut the \$5-billion program of veterans' benefits. This is done at the insistence of Republican congressional leaders who feel they have enough to worry about this year without alienating another huge voting bloc. Their argument gets at least tacit support from politically astute Sumner Whittier, new head of the Veterans Administration. He knows the value of votes.

EISENHOWER'S PLANS FOR THE PENTAGON head for rough treatment in Congress. Defense Secretary McElroy had a directive to clean up the mess in the world's largest office building. He still has the confidence of Congress, but the lawmakers have moved in to make sure that power over military roles, missions and money remains in legislative hands.

Reps. Vinson (D-Ga.), Kilday (D-Tex.) and Arends (R-Ill.) have introduced a bill to amend the 1947 National Security Act. Sens. Mansfield (D-Mont.) and Bridges (R-N.H) sponsor an identical bill in the upper chamber. The intent is to head off a Prussian-style general staff.

Fourteen of the present 25 Deputy or Assistant Secretaries of Defense would go. The Department's civilian bureaucracy would be shrunk. But basically, the issue would be restoration of congressional authority.

"MASTERS OF DECEIT", the new J. Edgar Hoover book, is a down-to-earth analysis of the story of communism in America and how to fight it. It is a clear exposition of the basic philosophy and history, but makes its own chief contribution in its forceful analysis of above-ground and under-ground subversion. Communism, as Hoover point out, is a "faith", and as such it can be best defeated by a rekindled American faith "based on our priceless heritage of freedom, justice and the religious spirit".

POLITICAL CONSEQUENCES OF THE RECESSION may be a further sharp swing to the left in the party platforms. More important than the prospect of Democratic gains and Republican losses at the November elections is the decline in the forces of conservatism. Bulwarks against the growth of welfare statism are being weakened correspondingly.

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April 22, 1958

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Cone Motor Company
Post Office Box 65
Overton, Texas

Dear [Redacted]

Your letter of April 15, 1958, has been received, and I was glad to learn that you have started to read the newspaper serialization of my book, "Masters of Deceit."

It was thoughtful of you to bring your observations to my attention.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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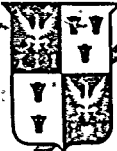
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April 15, 1958

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The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director of Bureau of investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am reading the article you are writing in the Forth Worth Star Telegram, Master's of deceit. I think it is something that ever American should read.

I should like, to ask you this question. You mention in the first publication that if the Communist should take over that all organizations such as Odd Fellows and Masons would be abolished, wouldn't such organizations help in the communist effort when they keep all that is done in the organization a secret and they resent any one mention any thing about them? You stated that the communist would use ever means they could to futher thier cause, and you know there is no way to keep them out of such organizations. Should they get men in the proper place in these orders there would be no way of dealing with them.

I am not writing this letter as a compliant but having belong to the masonic order I know the way they work, and often wondered if the order could not be used in such way.

Very truly yours



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April 23, 1958

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[Redacted]
203 Main Street
Burlington, Vermont

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Dear [Redacted]

Your letter of April 18, 1958, has been received, and it was good to hear from you again.

It was a pleasure to autograph the copy of "Masters of Deceit" which you forwarded to me, and I am returning it to you under separate cover.

Sincerely,

Edgar

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NOTE: [Redacted] is the former [Redacted] [Redacted] Salutation per previous correspondence. [Redacted] by letter dated March 21, 1958, asked whether the Director would autograph his copy of "Masters of Deceit," and the Director on March 26, 1958, said that he would be pleased to do so.

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HON. J. EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR OF FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEAR EDGAR:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND LETTER OF MARCH 26 LAST PAST.

I AM SENDING UNDER SEPARATE COVER YOUR MOST INTERESTING BOOK "MASTERS OF DECEIT" FOR YOUR AUTOGRAPH.

AGAIN I WISH TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR COURTESY AND KINDNESS AND BE ASSURED THAT THIS BOOK WILL BE ONE OF MY PRIZED POSSESSIONS IN MY LIBRARY.

MOST RESPECTFULLY YOURS,

[Redacted Signature]

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The book has not yet been received. 4/22/58

April 23, 1958

[Redacted]
International Harvester Company
180 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago 1, Illinois

Dear [Redacted]

62-104277-512

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Your letter of April 18, 1958, with enclosure, has been received, and I do appreciate your very generous comments.

I enjoyed reading about the work which you are doing. It is a most responsible assignment, and you have my best wishes for every success.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: [Redacted] sent letter to Mr. Rigg of Henry Holt and Company, Inc., commenting favorably about "Masters of Deceit." By letter dated 4-11-58 the Director advised he was sending her an autographed copy of his book. Enclosure with [Redacted] letter of 4-18-58 tells about her work at International Harvester Company.

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INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY

180 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE • CHICAGO 1, ILLINOIS

EXECUTIVE OFFICES
PUBLIC RELATIONS

April 18, 1958

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington 25, D.C.

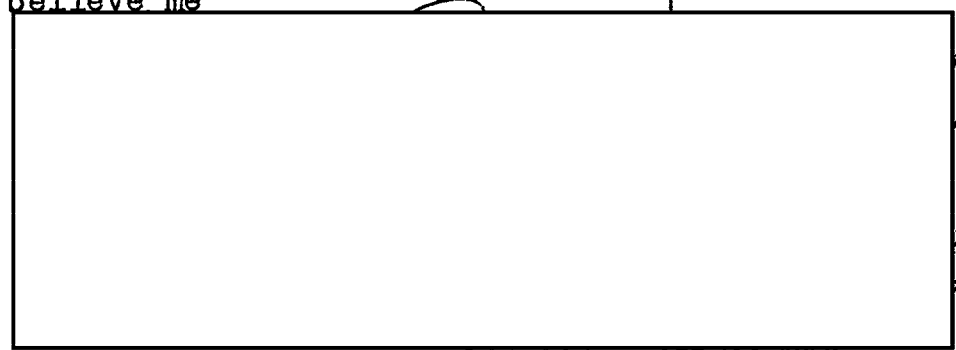
Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter of April 11 - and for the autographed copy of "Masters of Deceit." Because I believe that no copy of your book should be idle I shall lend my "special" copy only to "special" friends.

I shall continue to suggest "Masters of Deceit" to individuals and to groups including the State Convention of the Illinois Federation of Business and Professional Women. From the attached clipping, I note the Central Intelligence Agency will be represented on the program.

Frankly, I was surprised that Mr. Edgar T. Rigg sent a copy of my letter to you. But, I am glad he did. It gives me an opportunity to express to you my high regard for you and your Bureau.

Thank you again, and believe me



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CONVENTION SPEAKERS

Dr. Delyte W. Morris Friday Noon Speaker

The term "practical visionary" is sometimes used to describe Dr. Delyte W. Morris, president of Southern Illinois University.

He came to a small college in the eroded and neglected fields of Southern Illinois in 1948 and envisioned its growth into one of the nation's major universities. At the time, the idea seemed fantastic, but Morris is a man who knows how to get things done.

A handsome, raw-boned six-footer with keen eyes and a ready smile, Morris can talk the language of academicians, students, farmers, business executives, or baseball fans. An eloquent speaker, he is equally effective addressing legislative committees, women's clubs, or high school graduating classes.



His natural ability as an orator was enhanced by his schooling and a distinguished teaching career. Before he came to Southern, Morris was chairman of the speech department and head of the Speech and Hearing Clinic at Ohio State University. Previously, he had taught at Indiana State Teachers College, the Junior College of Kansas City, Mo., and at the University of Maine.

He received his undergraduate degree from Park College, a self-help school at Parkville, Mo. He also holds a master's degree from the University of Maine, and a Ph.D. from the University of Iowa.

A broad range of interests and an insatiable curiosity enable the 50 year old educator to converse easily about flowers, folklore, comic strip characters, and turbine engines. His reading interests extend from scholarly journals and literary magazines to western novels:

THE ILLINOIS BULLETIN

Saturday Banquet Speaker

Miss Mercedes Hurst devotes her major attention to the relationship which International Harvester has with its many thousands of women stockholders, customers and women employees. She is the first person (either man or woman) to be called

upon to formulate a program to carry the meaning of America from a multi-million dollar corporation to all the women whose lives it affects. Much of the philosophy behind the job was developed by Harvester executives, who believed the growing importance of women to the company made



it advisable to select an outstanding and well qualified business woman to deal with them in an administrative and executive capacity.

Miss Hurst has participated in numerous civic, church and philanthropic activities. She is past president of the Women's Advertising Club of Chicago, and has served as Vice President of the Advertising Federation of America. She is a graduate of Indiana University and took her post-graduate work at Northwestern University. Miss Hurst is also a member of the Board of directors of Florence Crittenton Anchorage.

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Friday Dinner Headliner!

Our Federation proudly presents—MARY WINBIGLER CORIDEN, first Celia M. Howard Fellowship Awardee. Mary has been with the United States Central Intelligence Agency since her graduation from Fletcher in 1951. While she can't divulge information about her duties, we are certain that she will have a message of interest and importance to our membership.

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State Convention - Ill. Fed. of Bus and Prof. Women.
Attendance - 100 (?)

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Convention Program Chairman

Minnie Mae Pitkin, a member and past president of the Carbondale Business & Professional Women's Club is a native Texan, she received her B.A. from Texas State College and received her M.S. from the University of Colorado. She taught Chemistry at McMurray College in Abilene, Texas, until her marriage to William A. Pitkin, an Associate Professor of History at Southern Illinois University. They have one son, James Alfred, who is an Air Force veteran, and presently holds a graduate fellowship in geology at Southern Methodist University.

At the present time Minnie Mae is an Executive Aide in the office of the President at Southern Illinois University.

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State Convention - Ill. Fed. of Bus.
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Our National Representative FANNIE HARDY

National Second Vice President

Her membership since 1922 includes affiliation with the Little Rock, Memphis and Atlanta clubs where she filled all major offices, including presidency of the Little Rock club. She served the Tennessee Federation as finance chairman; Arkansas as second and first vice president, and president; South Central Region as council member; as national public affairs chairman (1952-54) and is now national third vice president. Elected Little Rock Woman of the Year 1952, in 1953 she was appointed by the Governor to

the office of executive assistant State Insurance Commissioner, the first woman in the United States to serve in this capacity. Her re-appointment by the present Governor is evidence of the capable manner in which she has filled the office. She has also been re-appointed the only woman member of the State Civil Defense Advisory Board. In 1954 she was UN Day chairman and received special mention from the national chairman for the increased community activity as a result of her leadership. She holds a UN Leadership Certificate.

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The Convention Committee has released the following price schedule:

Reservations for rooms should be sent directly to Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri.

Single (1 person) \$ 7.50 to \$10.50
Double (2 persons) \$10.50 to \$13.50
Twin (2 persons) \$13.50 to \$17.00
Suite (Twin bedrooms and parlor) \$28.00 to \$45.00

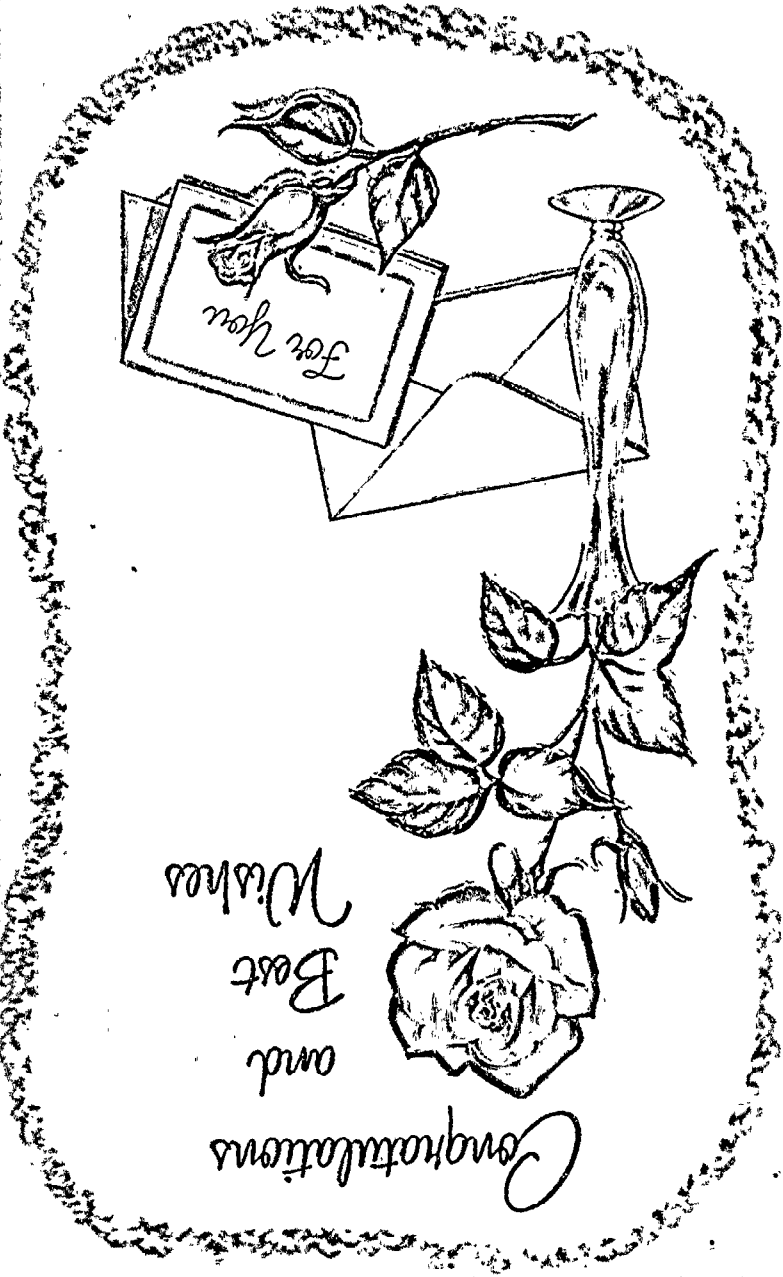
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Registration, for Delegates, Alternates	\$3.00
Régistration, Visitors	1.50
Friday Luncheon	3.75
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Saturday Banquet	6.00
Sunday Breakfast	2.75

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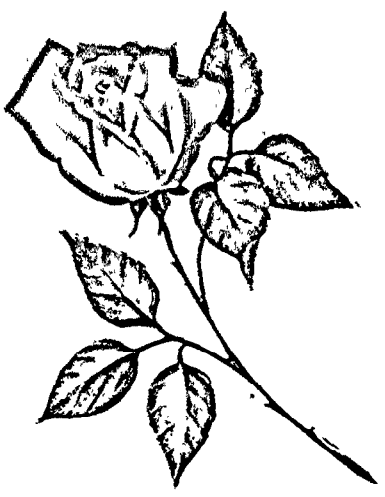
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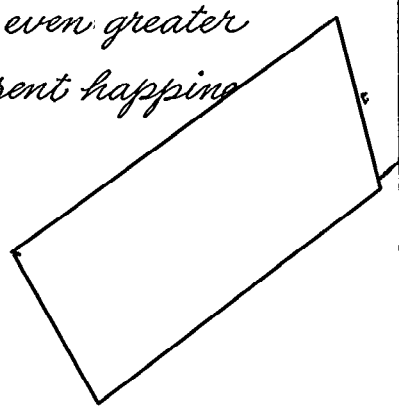


Chief J. Edgar Hoover

Sincere congratulations
And the best of wishes, too
On this very grand occasion
That means so much to you
And may you find
that coming years
Are filled with nothing less
Than joy that's even greater
Than your present happiness



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April 23, 1958

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Apartment 7
446 Holly Avenue
Saint Paul, Minnesota

Dear [Redacted]

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Your letter of April 16, 1958, and card of
congratulations have been received, and I want to thank you for
your kindness. I appreciate your generous remarks concerning
"Masters of Deceit" and your observations regarding the
communist menace in this country.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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St. Paul, Minnesota
April. 16, 1958.

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Chief. J. Edgar Hoover:

Dear Sir: -

I want to congratulate you on your book - "Master Decèit" running currently too - in our local Dispatch paper! You are alert - and aware - of what Communism really means!

I shouldn't be surprised if - (and where) $\frac{1}{2}$ whatever year these Communists would strike - that across the nation - all these party members - (and abroad too) - would get some kind of a signal - like a huge network - (a code of some kind) - as brilliantly lighted - as if it were a telephone switchboard - all aglow at once - (but discernable only to the Communists - at that time) - to make their advances!

This is the way I have them sized up - because they are underhanded!

Their cause, of course, is to up root spiritual principles - for only ruthless material gain! They would certainly bear watching! They would actually like to take over America! This fact too - that some submarines have been sighted off the Atlantic coast - is another reason for alertness! They are up to something!

These Communists are a stealthy lot - and personally, I said a little prayer for your protection - after reading your book - and altho' I'm not quite finished with it yet - I read enough to know these Communists are dangerous - I really despise them!

Trusting you understand,

Respectfully,

/s/

446 - Holly Ave.,
(Apt. 7.)

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St. Paul, Minnesota
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Trusting you understand,
Robert Puller.

446¹/₂ Holly Ave.
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April 23, 1958

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Attorney at Law
Talianoff, Waller and Greenberg
420 Lincoln Road
Miami Beach 39, Florida

Dear [Redacted]

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Your thoughtful letter of April 17, 1958, has been received, and I want to thank you for your generous comments regarding my book, "Masters of Deceit." I share your hope that many Americans will read it and become aware of the inherent dangers of atheistic communism.

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Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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MEMBER ILLINOIS BAR
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420 LINCOLN ROAD
MIAMI BEACH 38, FLORIDA
JEFFERSON ST. @ Clayton

[Handwritten initials]

April 17, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I have just finished your book entitled, "Masters of Deceit".

The information and material which you have compiled and have made available to the American public is of inestimable value. You have rendered a real service by exposing to the light of public opinion the enemies of our way of life.

I hope that every thinking American will read your excellent book.

Cordially,

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April 22, 1958

[Redacted]
655 California Avenue
Boulder City, Nevada

Dear [Redacted]

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Your thoughtful note of April 13, 1958,

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extending congratulations to me on my book, "Masters of Deceit," is deeply appreciated, and I want to thank you very much for your kind words and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Keep up the good work.
God bless you!

Keep up the Good Work! God Bless You!

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Mr. Holloman	<input type="checkbox"/>
Miss Gandy	<input type="checkbox"/>

Boulder City, Nevada,
April 13, 1958.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, District of Columbia.

Sir:-

Please accept my humble and personal
congratulations upon the truly great work of your
fine life of real American experiences in protect-
ing that greatest of all worldly possessions, Our
American Heritage of Freedom, in your "Masters of Deceit".

I believe you are correct in assuming that
many of the staunch members of the Communist Party
in America will cease to be active in tatling on
their fellow men when they read the real truth of how
the Communists will treat them once they have made
the 'awful communist blunder' of trying to deceive
the arch deceivers as the leaders of communism do
to their underlings. The truth will make you free-
providing that you know the TRUTH.

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Also, we can all help to make democracy

safe for posterity by living a truly Christian Life
and treating our fellow men as we wish them to treat US.

23 APR 24 1958

The light of the Golden Rule can easily eclips-
se all of the seemingly allure of the light of
Communism, when we take time to use that light.

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April 22, 1958

C.I.

FLIT

[Redacted]

Carnegie Medical Building,
10515 Carnegie Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio

62-104277-516

Dear [Redacted]

REC-26

Thank you for your thoughtful note of April 15

in which you commented so favorably regarding my book,

"Masters of Deceit." Your congratulations and kind regards

are deeply appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: [Redacted] of Miami Beach, Florida, mentioned by the correspondent is known to the Director on a first-name basis. Bufiles reflect no information identifiable with [Redacted] of Cleveland, Ohio.

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10818 CARNegie AVENUE
CLEVELAND, OHIO

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- Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Mohr ✓
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- Mr. Parsons
- Mr. Rosen ✓
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Trotter
- Mr. Clayton
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Holloman
- Miss Gandy

April 15, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

On my recent visit to Florida, our mutual friend [Redacted] suggested that I read your book, Masters of Deceit.

I found this book very informative and extremely well written, exposing the workings of the Communist Party as you have so ably done. Every American should read this book. I want to congratulate you on this excellent work.

With kind regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

[Redacted Signature]

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April 22, 1958

[Redacted]
208 West 64th Street
New York 23, New York

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Dear [Redacted]

62-104277517

Thank you for your letter of April 16, 1958,
in which you commented so favorably regarding my book,
"Masters of Deceit." Your kind words mean a great deal
to me.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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APR 22 1958
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248 West 64th Street
New York 23, New York
April 16, 1958



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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Treasury Department
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I have found "MASTERS OF DECEIT", your recent book;
to be a well written book.

Your expose of Communism makes it excellent reading
material.

I extend my compliments to you on your great accomplish-
ment in this field.

Sincerely,



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April 22, 1958

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301 East 38th Street
New York 16, New York

Dear [Redacted]

91 62-104277-518

EX-135

It was very thoughtful of you and your daughter to write regarding my book, "Masters of Deceit," and I sincerely hope that you both find it of interest. Your good wishes are deeply appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

COMM - FBI
APR 22 1958

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NOTE: Bufiles reflect no record identifiable with [Redacted]. No recent letter has been received from [Redacted] however, Bufile 63-0-693 reflects she wrote to the Director in March, 1954, in a commendatory vein and Bureau letter of 6-25-57 to her acknowledged her note postmarked June 18, 1957, in which she asked if a citizen could do anything to wreck or mend the law permitting the Supreme Court to throw open the files of the FBI under the Jencks' Decision. (62-104029-118)

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301 East 38th Street
New York 16, N. Y.

Dear J. Edgar Hoover,

Neither my daughter or myself think you are appreciated enough by the American (U. S.) people. I know she has already written a letter of appreciation to you and now she has bought your book and we are both looking forward to reading it. You may hear from her again. She is a business woman with "Editor and Publisher." N. Y. City. This note is to wish you great success with your book and may you be with us for a long, long time.

/s/

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301 East 38th Street
New York 16, N. Y.

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 her again - "She is a business
 woman with Editor and Publisher"
 N.Y. City - This note to wish you
 great success with your book
 and may you ^{to} with us
 for a long, long time

APR 17 1958
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 APR 24 1958

EX-135

FROM

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

TO

OFFICIAL INDICATED BELOW BY CHECK MARK

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- Mr. Trotter _____ ()
- Mr. Holloman _____ ()
- Miss Gandy _____ ()

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- Note and Return _____ ()
- Prepare Reply _____ ()
- For Your Recommendation _____ ()
- What are the facts? _____ ()

Tolson to Tolson

4-21-58

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APR 23 1958

New York Cavalcade:

Talent War Erupting Here

By LOUIS SOBOL

THE EMMY AWARDS may come over the home screens next season sans commercials—many felt the intrusion of sponsor interruptions too frequent and too jarring... The sudden death of Lonnie Livingston, husband of the noted fashion designer, Molly Parnis, shocked the town. He was a gay personality—usually the life of the party—with his French double-talk routines. He numbered devoted friends in the hundreds... This department has received many fan-and-pan letters but its most unusual contribution from “a fan” arrived yesterday. Novelist Herbert Kastle in “appreciation of years of being a consistent reader of your column” gifted us with the original manuscript of his best-seller, “Koptic Court.”

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With Lou Walters coming back to Broadway with his new cabaret, Café de Paris, May 6th—a talent war seems inevitable—with the Latin Quarter, Copacabana, Old Romanian and Town and Country involved. It means that just as in Vegas and in Miami Beach, the operators will have to dangle fantastic sums to entice the biggest name stars in a competitive field—sums that will range from a probable low of \$10,000 to as high as \$25,000. In fact, as we reported recently, the Latin Quarter is dangling \$50,000 in an endeavor (a futile one, it seems to this reporter) to snare Rock Hudson and Mae West as a team. It all adds up to prohibitive pay for the performers—and, in addition, handsome amounts must be paid out for the supporting acts, the chorus line, the musicians, costumes, etc., etc. All of which comes to a staggering total—and, to volunteer a melancholy prediction—bankruptcy for the cabaret owner.

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Film Star David Niven labels himself the world's most reckless optimist—and explains: “I worked twenty-five years to build up a career—and save up a little money. Now I'm spending it all on a six months' holiday with my family around the world.”... The line of dialogue that tugged the biggest laugh

on opening night: When Donald Cook in the new play, “Love Me Little,” asks Joan Bennett where is she going and Joan snaps: “To my home away from home—Bonwit's!” But the play itself floundered in a morass of wise-cracks.



SOBOL

Hollywood's sympathy has been 100 per cent for Lana in the current tragedy—and a poll of the film colony would register unanimously for the return of Cheryl to her custody.

* * *
J. Edgar Hoover has a triple thrill these days. His “Masters of Deceit” is climbing to the top of the Best

Seller lists, it is being serialized in the Journal-American and other Hearst Newspapers and it has been accorded an unusual distinction—Hy Heller of Lindy's has placed copies on display directly behind the cash register—the first time a book has been honored thus—although books written by patrons occasionally are placed in the windows. Heller explains proudly: “Mr. Hoover's book has passed my Hy-Q test”...

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Lillian Roth, who some months ago told us she was quitting night club appearances, isn't, after all. She's booked into the Dunes at Las Vegas for a three weeks' engagement next month. Prior to that, she will co-star with Paul Douglas in a Studio One TV play, “The Violator”... What may be damaging the theatre is that the price of a “hot” ticket cools off many a prospective buyer... Three men were dining at Al Cooper's and discussing their various professions. Said the first: “I've been in advertising for 20 years and all I've got to show for it is an ulcer.” The second said: “I've been in publicity for 20 years and all I've got to show for it is a heart condition.” Said the third: “I've been working at my profession for 20 years—honestly, I haven't a single complaint.” Snapped the other two sourly: “We can understand that, doctor!”

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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To: **FBI, Miami (94-334)**

Date: **May 2, 1958**

Re: **MASTERS OF DECEIT
RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS)**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director
REC-11

FBI File No. **62-104277-520**
Lab. No. **D-277577 DG**

Examination requested by: **Miami**
Reference: **Letter 4/22/58**
Examination requested: **Document**
Remarks:

Enclosures (6) (Qc1 through Q3, 3 Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Miami

Date: May 2, 1958

FBI File No. 62-104277

Re: MASTERS OF DECEIT
RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS)

Lab. No. D-277577 DG

Specimens received 4/23/58:

- Q1 Two photocopies of a sheet of paper bearing a list of names captioned "Are these the Agitators for Communistic Integration in Dade County?"
- Q2 Mimeographed copy entitled "N.A.A.C.P. OFFICIALS" on one side and "The Ugly Truth About the NAACP," on the other.
- Q3 Mimeographed copy entitled "A 'KEPT' PRESS DOESN'T TELL YOU BUT."

Results of Examination:

It was concluded the typewriter used to prepare the enclosure to serial 422 in instant file was not used to prepare specimens Q2 and Q3.

It could not definitely be determined whether or not the typewriter used to prepare the enclosure to serial 422 was used to prepare specimen Q1 because of the limited number of identifying characteristics. The type on the two documents appears to be a different size but there is a possibility the type used on specimen Q1 was photographically enlarged in making the photocopies available.

Specimens Q1 through Q3 are returned herewith. No copies have been retained.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

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Re: MASTERS OF DECEIT
RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS)

File # 62-104277-520
Lab. # D-277577 DG

Examination requested by: FBI, Miami (94-334) 4/22/58

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 4/23/58

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Marshall
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*Lab
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[Signature]*

~~returning~~ evid to Mr. Perlmutter.

End to serial 422 in instant file.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
 Attn: FBI Laboratory

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (94-334)

SUBJECT: MASTERS OF DECEIT
 RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS)

DATE: April 22, 1958

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ReBulet April 9, 1958. 11 (62-104277 - Ser. 422)

On April 18, 1958, an examination of the Miami Office files on the Ku Klux Klan and Citizens Council groups failed to produce any exhibits of handwriting or typewriting that appeared similar to that in the questioned documents enclosed with referenced letter.

On April 21, 1958, NATHAN PERLMUTTER, Executive Director of the Anti-Defamation League, B'Nai B'Rith, Miami, Florida, turned over to SA LEON O. PRIOR the following described documents which were distributed by the Florida White Citizens Council in Miami, Florida, in 1957:

1. Two Photostat copies of sheet of paper captioned "Are these the Agitators for Communistic Integration in Dade County?"
2. One mimeographed sheet captioned on one side "N.A.A.C.P. Officials" and on the other "The Ugly Truth About the N.A.A.C.P."
3. One four page mimeographed sheet dated August 23, 1957, and captioned on Page 1 "A 'Kept' Press Doesn't Tell you But".

The Laboratory is requested to examine and compare the three above described documents with the questioned pamphlet and endeavor to determine if they were prepared

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on the same typewriter. Return the three enclosures upon conclusion of examination for return to Mr. PERLMUTTER.

April 23, 1958

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EX - 126

62-104277-521

[Redacted]

City Clerk
Harbor Beach, Michigan

Dear [Redacted]

Your letter of April 16, 1958, with enclosure, has been received, and I do appreciate your generous comments about my new book, "Masters of Deceit."

It is my sincere hope that this book will be of assistance to the American people in their fight against communism. Only by an informed citizenry can we hope to defeat this evil.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Relations with [Redacted] limited but cordial. In 1952, Director sent [Redacted] an autographed photograph.

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CITY OF HARBOR BEACH

COMMISSION FORM OF GOVERNMENT

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HARBOR BEACH, MICHIGAN

April 16, 1958.

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Miss Gandy	✓

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am reading your book "Masters of Deceit"
and you are to be commended as the author.

Our local library just recently received
this book and I believe I am the first to read
it from there. Every one who can understand
should certainly read this book, and I hope
the members of our high courts will do so and
note the contents thereof very closely.

Some time ago, Mr. Walter Woodbury, Director
of Christian Education of the American Baptist
Convention stood looking at a picture of you
that hangs in the lobby of the City Hall, and
which you were so kind enough to autograph for
me. After a few moments he turned to me and
said, "America can thank God for a man like that."
How true!

Enclosed is a clipping from the Port Huron
Times Herald which you might like to have.

Very truly yours,

[Redacted Signature]

City Clerk
City of Harbor Beach

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Port Huron Times Herald
Voice Of The People

Praises Hoover Book

Editor, The Times Herald:

How many are going to get busy and read J. Edgar Hoover's latest book, "Masters of Deceit" and find out in the chapter, "What Can You Do?" and "How to Stay Free" and really do something about it before it is too late, as it is the duty of every honest, patriotic American?

Every good American book store in the Country should have it and ever advertise it and libraries all over the United States should have it. Now let's see how many patriotic Americans there are—or are we going to do nothing and say "it can't happen here"?

* * *

It can and will happen. The aim of Communists is not alone to get control of the "Government but to get rid of those that believe in God and stamp out Christianity by teaching the children differently."

Never underestimate a Communist. I was told the above to my face in my own home about 20 years ago. Before I could contact anyone that should do something about the likes of that, he left without a word of farewell.

We are forewarned, why not be forearmed?

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The men don't seem to be able to keep these Communist "varmints" in their place, out of our Country. It is a call to all patriotic women to see what we can accomplish—we certainly don't want to live under Communist dictatorship or leave this Country in such a mess for our children and grandchildren.

When I came up, we were taught anyone that would try to undermine or overthrow the Government of the United States would be punished by death.

Is our Constitution less sacred today than it was in my youth?

AMERICAN FROM 'WAY BACK

St. Clair

62-104277-521

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April 24, 1958

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EX-126

[Redacted]

Hay Springs, Nebraska

Dear [Redacted]

Your letter dated April 17, 1958, has been received.

The thought prompting your writing is appreciated, and I am enclosing various publications of this Bureau on the subject of communism which I believe you would like to read. For your information, this Bureau does not conduct classes or correspondence courses of the type you described.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosures (7)

- Struggle on a New Plane
- Communist "New Look"
- Breaking the Communist Spell
- Communist Virus
- Could Your Child Become a Red?
- God and Country or Communism?
- How to Fight Communism

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April 17, 1958

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Gentlemen,

I have been reading the articles in the Omaha World Herald: "Masters of Deceit" by Edgar Hoover. It is about Communist Mobilization to achieve control of the United States.

Is there any thing one can do to help solve that problem?

Do you teach by correspondence, or do you have classes privately?

I would like to know about it. How you teach - and where, and what requirements are needed, such as educational requirements.

Would you please send me some literature on the subject.

Hoping to hear from you, giving me the information that will help me to understand.

Yours truly

[Redacted Signature]

Hay Springs, Nebraska

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April 17, 1958

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Masters of Deceit

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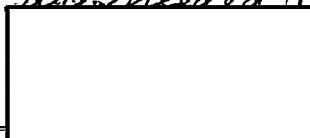
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April 24, 1958

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EX-123

Box 143
Centralia, Illinois

Bappaax 1874

Dear

Your letter dated April 20, 1958, has been received, and enclosed is material which I believe you would like to read.

I am gratified by your interest in my book, "Masters of Deceit," and in the event you cannot secure a copy of it from your local public library or bookstores, it is suggested that you correspond with its publishers, Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York. The book costs \$5 per copy.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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- Enclosures (7)
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- Communist "New Look"
- Breaking the Communist Spell
- Communist Virus
- Could Your Child Become A Red?
- God and Country or Communism?
- How To Fight Communism

NOTE: Bufile 100-0-30648 is a letter from correspondent dated 6/15/55 in which he forwarded information which he believed to be of a subversive interest. Bulet 6/27/55 was a short note of thanks. HE SHOULD NOT BE

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Centralia, Ill

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April 20, 1958

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Chief
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I have just now finished reading the first Chapter of t
the story of you ^{Masters of} ~~Masters~~ in Deceit appearing in the daily
Globe-Democrat of St. Louis, Missouri. I am intensely
interested in this revelation, and I want to get a copy
of the book. Where can I buy a copy?

I have been almost alarmed at the story of some of our
men in high offices, that they are so in favor of the
Communist Party. One of the U S Senators of Illinois
wrote a book on Comunism--and yet the people re-elected
him to the Senate. You know more about the activities
of that Party than I do.

I have been in educations busineses for just about 60 yrs
and I know a little about this subject. Altho I am
nearing 84 yrs of age, I am very cative, tho retired,
but I an ready to ^{do} what I can to help fight this enemy.
Have you anything that I can do?

Respectfully

[Redacted signature box]

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TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: April 24, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones

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SUBJECT:

[Redacted]

COULTERVILLE, CALIFORNIA

Reference is made to the attached letter from the above-captioned individual postmarked April 16, 1958. [Redacted] mentions that he had read in the San Francisco papers about the Director's book, "Masters of Deceit," and that he intended to read it.

The remainder of the letter is filled with comments about his hatred of communism. He said that he would like to destroy the communists in this country and would like the Director to head the "clean up" campaign. Moreover, he would use force to get rid of them. "I myself would start in any time to wipe out these Reds, that's the only way to get rid of them. The way I see it you are the man to head the clean up on them and by force." He closes the letter with this statement: "If you led the people and directed a show of force out go the Reds. Call us Mister & see!"

Bufile 63-334 reflects that a [Redacted] Albany, Oregon, in 1953, communicated with the Bureau concerning his son who was then in custody in Butte, Montana, and it is not known whether this [Redacted] is identical with the above-captioned individual.

It is to be noted that [Redacted] in his letter makes mention of the use of force to destroy communists, advocating that the Director should head such a campaign. It is felt that a letter by the Director might be misused by a man of this temperament, and it is felt that [Redacted] letter should not be acknowledged.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that [Redacted] letter not be acknowledged:

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Mr. Clayton _____
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Mr. Holloman _____
Miss Gandy _____
J. Edgar Hoover



10 MASTERS OF DECEIT

Star Route
COULTERVILLE, CALIFORNIA

Dear Sir:

I have just read in the S.F. newspaper of your new book. I shall get one and read it.

I live under Gods care and I want no part of Red rule. Mr Hoover cant you resist a call for all true men to follow your orders to wipe out this menace to our Country? I have talked to many people and believe me they all think you are tops, we all know how you stand. Put out the call for us to write in to you for orders and you will see. I myself would start in any time to wipe out these Reds, thats the only way to get rid of them. The way I see it you are the man to head the clean up on them and by force.

My Government has done things to me that I didnt like but I am loyal to death to my Country and my God and no one can change that. They give all that money to foreign aid but they wouldnt lose me a bit on my 160 acre ranch and I cant make my \$250.00 payment this month so I live ~~at home~~ but I am still loyal to my Country. I ask you put out the call all loyal Americans to register with you the Com mics + lets get the job done.

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Star Route
COULTERVILLE, CALIFORNIA

If you get enough trouble brewed up for them they will wish they never saw America. It works this way - In Oregon in the 30's I was on an SRA crew working on a road we had 2 Reds that kept telling us of how good Russia was. Suddenly all the men knocked the picks off the handles took the pick handles and formed a circle around those two Reds. They didn't say a word just surrounded them & looked mean. Do you know we never heard another word about Russia & Reds! See what I mean? If you led the people and directed a show of force out go the Reds. Call us mister & see!

Yours

Charles Jones

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April 23, 1958

[Redacted]

13352 Glenfield
Detroit 13, Michigan

Dear [Redacted]

Your letter of April 14, 1958, with enclosure, has been received, and I do want to express my appreciation for the resolution passed by the 70th Infantry Division Club, Reserve Officers Association Ladies'.

It is my sincere hope that my book, "Masters of Deceit," will be of assistance to the American people in their fight against communism. The interest you and your associates have displayed in alerting our citizenry to this menace is indeed encouraging.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Boardman	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
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Mr. Rosen	✓
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Miss Gandy	✓

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Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D.C.

✓ April 14, 1958

Masters of Deceit

Dear Mr. Hoover,

Enclosed is a copy of a resolution passed by the
70th Infantry Division Club, Reserve Officers Association Ladies'
on April 14, 1958.

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We wish to congratulate you on your many years of devoted
service to the United States of America and to thank you for
making available that information which will enable us to preserve
our beloved Country.

Wide distribution of a book on the Communist conspiracy
is long overdue.

The enthusiasm with which your book is being received
proclaims its need as well as the appreciation of the American
people.



The 70th Infantry Division
Club ROAL



13352 Glenfield
Detroit 13, Michigan

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RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, the Award of the President of the United States, for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service, was recently conferred upon Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation; and

WHEREAS, Church, Government, Educational, Press and Civic groups throughout the Country have highly praised Mr. Hoover's courageous work, and most recently his book, Masters of Deceit; and

WHEREAS, the exposure of the Communist conspiracy in the United States of America is clearly defined by Mr. Hoover in his book; and

WHEREAS, Masters of Deceit directs what all patriotic citizens can do to fight the Communist menace and preserve our American Way of Life; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 70th Infantry Division Club of the Reserve Officers Association Ladies' send a formal letter of commendation to Mr. John Edgar Hoover, for his noble contribution, Masters of Deceit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that every member avail herself of a copy of this book for study; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the delegates of the 70th Infantry Division Club ROAL introduce and move the adoption of this resolution by the Department of Michigan ROAL in Convention assembled on April 19, 1958 at Battle Creek, Mich., for Department action and for introduction at the 1958 National Convention of ROAL.

Frances Ryba (Mrs. Henry)
President, 70th Inf. Div.
Club ROAL

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April 24, 1958

AIRMAIL

EX-123

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OIC, Security and Custody
Bureau of Prisons
New Bilibid Prison
Muntinlupa, Rizal, Philippines

Dear [Redacted]

Your letter of April 12, 1958, with enclosures, has been received, and I do appreciate your interest in my new book, "Masters of Deceit." I certainly hope it will be of assistance in your country in the fight against communism.

I do not have copies of the book available for sale. It is suggested, however, that you may wish to secure a copy from the publisher, Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Muntinlupa, Rizal**

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Office of the Superintendent

12 April 1958

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Boardman	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Nease	_____
Mr. Parsons	_____
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Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

J. M. [Signature]

Mr. J. EDGAR HOOVER
Director, FBI
US Dept. of Justice
Washington 25, DC

Dear Sir:

I have read from our local papers that you published a book entitled, "Masters of Deceit" and which will be published in serials by one of our local newspapers, The Manila Times. I wish to know if I can be able to acquire a copy of the said book which I believe will be of great advantage for me as referencial material. As far as I know from comments of our armed forces chiefs, they all praised the book and even said that inspite of the fact that the book is a narrative of the western experience yet we, Filipinos can make practical use of such experience in combatting subversion.

Sir, I will gladly appreciate it if you can send me a copy and if it can not be made, so, I wish to know how I can be able to buy it.

I am enclosing a clipping from our local papers of comments from our Armed Forces boss for your file.

Very truly yours

[Redacted Signature Box]

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Here's what they say
about **MASTERS OF DECEIT**
by J. Edgar Hoover,
FBI director:

"...By his incisive, forthright and intelligent analysis of the Red problem, the book could very well have been written for the Philippines. This is so, because while we could claim to have successfully repulsed an armed attempt to seize power, we continue, like the Americans, to face the threat of communist subversion..."



JESUS VARGAS
Secretary of National
Defense

"...We should not rely on our experiences alone in fighting communism. We must be prepared to absorb the interesting and useful experiences of other peoples, like the Americans. In his book, Mr. Hoover invites world attention to the fact that the danger from hidden communist invaders and infiltrators is as great as ever..."



MARIANO A. YENKO, Jr.
Undersecretary of
National Defense

"...Mr. Hoover's book is not just a narrative of the western experience. The vital point is that despite the generally freer attitude of Americans toward communism, a dedicated small group of vigilant men like the FBI can and does counter Red subversion. We in the Philippines can make practical use of this experience..."



LT. GEN. ALFONSO ARELLANO
Chief of Staff, AFP

TOMORROW in The Manila Times

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12 APRIL 1958
-MANILA TIMES-



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VOLUME XIII, NUMBER 50



Three women in front row are Claudia Jones, Betty Gannett and Elizabeth Curley Flynn. In "Masters of Deceit," J. Edgar Hoover identifies Flynn as a member of the U.S. Communist party who ran in 1957 for

the New York city council, and Gannett as a graduate of the Lenin School in Moscow, a training center for conspiratorial operations. One other famous graduate is Eugene Dennis.

Hoover expose opens tomorrow

In 1919, U. S. socialists held a convention in Chicago. The socialists were badly split. The left wing, thrilled by the Russian October Revolution, wanted to set up a Communist party. The rightists disagreed.

Among the famous men in the socialist convention were John Reed, Ben Gitlow and Charles Ruthenberg. Refused entrance to the socialist convention, the Reed-Gitlow group met to form the Communist Labor Party of America.

The ultra-radicals criticized the CLP as not being "truly communistic." They met and formed the Communist Party of America with Charles Ruthenberg as executive secretary. This

was the CP born in the U.S. The CP in the U. S. has since developed into a ruthless, underground organization completely subservient to the parent party in Soviet Russia. It has set up front organizations to deceive the unwary.

In "Masters of Deceit," J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, tells the story of the CP in the U. S.

"International communism will never rest until the whole world is under the hammer and sickle," Hoover says in his book.

Starting tomorrow, Sunday, the Manila Times will serialize Hoover's book, the most

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April 24, 1958

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2312 Norman Street
Pasadena, Texas

Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your thoughtful and interesting letter of April 18, 1958. Your kind comments regarding my book, "Masters of Deceit," are deeply appreciated, and I am pleased that you consider the book of such importance.

It is my earnest hope that "Masters of Deceit" will help fill the need for information concerning the true nature of atheistic communism and its inherent danger to our freedoms.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

V. D. [Signature]

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2312 Norman St.
Pasadena, Texas

April 18, 1958

Hon. H. Edgar Hoover
Director of Federal Bureau
of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Since I attained legal majority two years ago I have taken a good deal of interest in voting. Your book "Masters of Deceit" has only stressed to me the importance of that great American priveleges acquired at such a terrible price in the years of 1780-89. These years, I believe, were the formative years of the American form of Government, which to me is the best form (and as the Constitution states, the More perfect union) that has ever been known by man.

Being confined to a wheel-chair as I am and have been for my entire life I can say that I appreciate what you have done in your past life and are still doing for this country. When you cannot have as much activity outside your home as nommal people you can read between the lines of what is happening. This is true with Communism, the most dastardly form of mental and physical enslavement ever known to man. I rank your book in importance with one of the greatest books ever written and that book is known as "The Federalist" written by some of our greatest statesmen.

I hope that in some ways this letter will show to you that your work, though often confidential by its nature, is not un-appreciated by most of the true lovers of freedom that helped in the birth pains of this great country.



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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

April 14, 1958

By letter dated 4-7-58 from Tom Doerer, Baltimore American, Baltimore, Md., he indicated he was mailing to the Director a drawing made for their newspapers promoting "Masters of Deceit."

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	<i>[Signature]</i>
Mr. Nease	<i>[Signature]</i>
Mr. Parsons	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Trotter	
Mr. [unclear]	<i>[Signature]</i>
Mr. Clayton	<i>[Signature]</i>
Tele. Room	
Mr. Holloman	<i>[Signature]</i>
Miss Holmes	<i>[Signature]</i>
Miss Gandy	<i>[Signature]</i>

Attached are the original drawing and 3 tear sheets concerning the book "Masters of Deceit." The original drawing is inscribed: "With admiration an request for a great American. /s/ Tom Doerer."

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for Mr Hoover

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: April 16, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones

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SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"

Attached is a copy of an article carried in the April, 1958, issue of the "States Rights Advocate," concerning the Director's book. This is a pro-segregation paper published by the Montgomery County (Alabama) Citizens Council. As you will notice, the article is largely an attack against the "New York Times" review of "Masters of Deceit."

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RECOMMENDATION

None, for information.

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N. Y. Times Man Mocks At Anti-Communist Book

Some new light has been cast on the type of thinking which goes on in the heads of those who control the editorial policies of the integrationist New York Times.

This came in the form of a book review published in the Times Sunday Book Review magazine section, and written by John B. Oakes. Oakes was identified by a footnote as "a member of the Times editorial board."

The article was a purported review of F. B. I. Director J. Edgar Hoover's new book, "Masters of Deceit: The Story of Communism in America and How to Fight It." Actually the "review" was devoted almost entirely to attempts to discredit almost everything Hoover said in his book. It wasn't a review of the book; it was an "answer" to it.

Everyone knows that Communists and fellow-travellers see the veteran F. B. I. chief as their arch-enemy. Less known is the fact that lately all shades of "liberals" and integrationists are turning on Hoover, very probably because of his recent refusal to lend the weight of his name to efforts to "prove" that the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is not Communist inspired and dominated. This turn, of course, gives the concealed Communists posing as mere "liberals" while promoting integration a chance to "join" in smearing Hoover with their openly-Communist brother conspirators.

A line-by-line analysis of Oakes "review" shows that a very great majority of the space given to the article is devoted to printing Oakes own views which disagree with the experience of Hoover — the man who has had more inside information on Communism than any other non-Communist in America.

Personal Reply

Near the beginning of the piece, Oakes sums up Hoover's point as "that the Communist party within the United States is a clear and present danger to us today." This is followed by Oakes' comment: "It is a view that not all his 170 million anti-Communist fellow-Americans will readily accept."

Then comes paragraph after paragraph which follow the pattern of making a statement contrary to Hoover, and then attempting to "prove" that statement by arguments which have no similarity to what normally is considered a book review.

One example is: "There are times a naive and at times a slightly dated quality to the contents of Mr. Hoover's book . . ." It is "dated", Oakes affirms, because American Communism no longer has any "influence or strength".

If you believe Hoover, the Times editorialist says, "his book will doubtless give you some sleepless nights." Then Oakes recites a number of "proofs" that the party has dwindled away and dried up.

To Hoover's point that the Com-
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States Rights Advocate

Date April, 1958

Montgomery, Ala.

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N. Y. TIMES MAN

(Continued from page 1)

Communist party could expand into a mass organization of "great power" overnight, the Times man says. "That's a doctrine at this point hard to swallow."

Exposes Own Bias

Near the end of the article a glimpse can be caught of the reasons for Oakes' reaction to Hoover's attempt to keep America alert to Communist danger at a time when the party is officially receding in strength and activity. It comes

with the statement that "our institutions and our security" are in less danger from Communism than from "juvenile delinquency, bad health, housing conditions, and, note this, infringement or denial of civil rights." That last phrase is one commonly used by "liberals" when they mean "segregation."

In other words, it would be a reasonable conclusion to believe that The New York Times editorial man sees segregation as a greater threat to American security than the Communist conspiracy, and that J. Edgar Hoover is a bit daft and "dated" not to agree with him.

Significantly, also Oakes concludes with an effort to turn attention from Communists at home by voicing his opinion that the struggle against communism should be fought "on the plains of India, in the sands of the Middle East, under the African sun . . ." rather than in America.

America grew and remained great over a span of 200 years with segregation as an accepted practice. American institutions never were seriously threatened until during

the past forty years and the most serious threat came from Communist activities. Yet the New York Times editorial writer would have Americans forget about the Communists and believe that our nation and its traditions are endangered by juvenile delinquency and segregation . . .

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

April 21, 1958

3:45 PM

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Boardman _____
- Mr. Belmont _____
- Mr. Mohr _____
- Mr. Nease
- Mr. Parsons
- Mr. Rosen _____
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- Mr. [unclear]
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- Miss Holmes _____
- Miss Gandy _____

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Law School, University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina, called. When the Director's absence was explained, he agreed to talk to me.

He advised he is on the Special Executive Committee of the Bar Association of South Carolina in regard to Law Day. He is writing up an interview with the President of the South Carolina Bar Association, Mr. J. Davis Kerr, a member of the bar, Spartanburg, South Carolina, which interview will be published in the daily newspapers throughout South Carolina. In connection with this interview, [Redacted] wishes to quote from the Director's book, "Masters of Deceit," on pages 3 and 9. [Redacted] stated he thought the Director's book was an outstanding work and he would certainly appreciate it if permission could be granted for him to quote from the book in regard to this particular matter.

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I told [Redacted] his request would be brought to the Director's attention and he stated he would certainly appreciate it and would appreciate it if a telegram could be sent to him this afternoon or tomorrow morning.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

2:30PM April 22, 1958

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. Boardman _____
- Mr. Belmont _____
- Mr. Mohr _____
- Mr. Nease _____
- Mr. Parsons _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Tamm _____
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- Mr. Holloman _____
- Miss Holmes _____
- Miss Gandy _____

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 [redacted] approximately
 [redacted] years old, of 1010 Hartford
 Turnpike, North Haven, Connecticut,
 stopped at the Reception Room and
 left the attached copy of "Masters
 of Deceit" with the request that the
 Director autograph it to him.

[redacted] made an extremely favorable impression as
 he was very well dressed and well mannered. He was
 particularly enthusiastic when offered a tour of the
 Bureau and he is presently being conducted on tour.

[redacted] and is
 listed in the medical directory as a medical Doctor.
 There is no reference in Bureau files on [redacted]

There was no request to meet the Director. He asked
 that the book be mailed to his home address since he
 will be leaving Washington later today. *62-104277-532*

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April 21, 1958

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[Redacted]

3805 Milan Drive
Alexandria, Virginia

Dear [Redacted]

I have received your note of April 16 and certainly appreciate your interest in writing. If you will mail me your copy of "Masters of Deceit," I shall be happy to autograph it for you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Bufiles contain no information identifiable with [Redacted] and there is no information to preclude the Director from autographing only her copy of the book.

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3805 Milan Drive
Alexandria, Virginia
April 16, 1958

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Dear Mr. Hoover:

You are a very busy man, I know, but could you spare just about two minutes to autograph my copy of your latest book "Masters of Deceit"?

It is a very illuminating book and should be a "must" on the reading list of every school and college in the United States.

Should you grant my request, I will bring the book in at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN *JWB*

DATE: April 11, 1958

FROM : A. H. BELMONT *AHB*

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF "MASTERS OF DECEIT"
APPEARING IN "THE WORKER"
4/13/58 EDITION

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ASAC Norman McCabe, New York Office, telephonically informed at 8:40 A.M. today that Si Gerson's review of Director's book, "Masters of Deceit," appears in the 4/13/58 edition of "The Worker." According to McCabe, the article is quite lengthy, runs two full columns and three half columns on page 6 and is thereafter continued on page 11.

Briefly, the article is derisive in nature as would be expected. The book is referred to as the anticommunist manifesto of America's number one political gendarme. In discussing the Lenin School, Gerson states the Director is not only profoundly deceitful but careless or worse with respect to details. References to the school as such are stated to be in "blood and thunder terms" and Gerson states he is credited with graduating from the school although he, the reviewer, never graduated from and did not attend the school. In addition, McCabe pointed out Gerson dredges up ancient material such as the statement of the former late Senator George Norris referring to the Director as "the greatest publicity hound" and also launches into the Harry Dexter White case and the Palmer raids in critical terms.

Inspector D. E. Moore is now in New York and contemplates returning today (exact time unknown) and will personally bring copies of the review to the Bureau upon his return. They will, of course, be made available to the Director immediately upon receipt at the Bureau.

Local inquiries have been made this morning but the edition of the paper is not available locally in Washington and usually is not so available until Monday morning.

ACTION:

Informative - The review by Gerson will be delivered personally to the Director's office immediately upon its receipt at the Seat of Government.

- cc - Mr. Nease
- cc - Mr. Holloman
- cc - Mr. Boardman
- cc - Mr. Belmont
- cc - Mr. Baumgardner
- cc - Mr. Sullivan

cc - Mr. Dooley

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VICE PRESIDENT

April 9, 1958

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
 Federal Bureau of Investigation
 Room 5744
 Department of Justice Building
 Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Clyde:

Enclosed herewith please find the "finals" of inst-
 #27 and #28 of Kiné Features Syndicate's version of **MASTERS**
 OF DECEIT by J. Edgar Hoover, for your files.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Bill

William E. Buckley

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Mr. L. V. Boardman

April 8, 1958

A. H. Belmont

DWIGHT MACDONALD
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In a letter to the editor of "The New York Times" Book Review Section recently, the writer, Arthur H. Kahn, commented that he had read John B. Oakes' review of the Director's book, "Masters of Deceit." Kahn indicated that although Oakes may be correct in stating the Director had exaggerated the extent of the international communist menace, he, Oakes, had gone too far toward the other extreme of underestimation. Kahn mentioned that a basic Leninist theory is that a small but disciplined group can effectively grasp and maintain power over much larger groups and that one Dwight Macdonald had once pointed out that fewer than 200 communists were once in effective control of the United Electrical Workers when that union had more than 500,000 members. The Director underlined Macdonald and inquired: "Who is he? H."

A Security Matter investigation of one Dwight Macdonald, who is probably identical, was instituted in April, 1944, predicated on censorship reports that Macdonald was in correspondence with one Victor Serge in Mexico City concerning the possible creation of a new international socialist group. Investigation revealed that Macdonald was born March 24, 1906, at New York City; was educated at Yale University; and had been employed for several years as a free-lance journalist. Investigation further indicated that Macdonald joined the Socialist Workers Party, a Trotskyite group, in approximately 1937 or 1938 and he reportedly left this group in April, 1940. He later became identified with the Workers Party, which he left in 1941 because he could not accept bolshevikism in its original form. Macdonald has authored articles which have been published by the Socialist Workers Party in New York City and by the Pioneer Publishing Company, the Socialist Workers Party press. The Socialist Workers Party and the Workers Party, which later became the Independent Socialist League, have been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

During the 1940's, Macdonald edited a bimonthly magazine, "Politics," which has been described as a pacifist publication,

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RE: DWIGHT MACDONALD
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critical of all countries and persons supporting forceful means for settling international objectives. The Winter, 1948, edition contained an article by Clifton Bennett which is a vicious attack upon the Director and the Bureau. Bennett is a self-styled anarchist and draft dodger who received a five-year sentence in 1945 for violation of the Selective Service and Training Act. The magazine suspended publication in 1949 due to lack of funds and personal interest on Macdonald's part.

The "Daily Worker," a former east coast communist newspaper which suspended publication on January 13, 1958, described Macdonald, in an article dated March 28, 1949, as being "anti communistic." The article also indicated that Macdonald was a member of a cultural panel of the Cultural and Scientific Conference of World Peace held in New York in March, 1949, who "directed questions to the Soviet guests at the Conference and who attempted to turn the Conference into an anti-Soviet inquisition." The Cultural and Scientific Conference for World Peace has been cited as a communist front by a House Committee on Un-American Activities report in 1949 and 1951.

As of March 15, 1948, Macdonald was residing in New York City and was affiliated with the magazine "New Yorker."

ACTION:

For the Director's information.



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WASHINGTON, D. C.

April 22, 1958

Dear Mr. Hoover:

For myself and the members of the Library staff I want to thank you for the generous gift copies of your book Masters of Deceit, which has been so widely and enthusiastically received. I look forward to reading it with what I know will be pleasure and profit. Your thoughtfulness is genuinely appreciated. May I take this opportunity to assure you of the continued cooperation of this Library and its staff with officials and employees of the FBI.

Very sincerely yours,

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3 Westbury Avenue
Carle Place, New York

Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your letter of April 15, 1958, and for your thoughtfulness in sending me a complimentary ticket to the First Annual Dance of your Seabee Association to be held April 26, 1958. I regret being unable to attend as I do not plan to be in New York on the 26th.

Your generous remarks regarding my public service and your encouraging comments concerning my new book are indeed appreciated, and it was very kind of you to write to me in this regard.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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3 Westbury Ave.
Carle Place, L.I.N.Y.
15 April 1958

Mr J. Edgar Hoover
Director,
Federal Bureau Of Investigation.
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I have just finished reading your book "Masters Of Deceit". Perhaps now more people will realize what a terrible menace Communism is to our wonderful Country.

I understand you are in New York City from time to time so I am enclosing a complimentary ticket to our annual affair. It seems to me that anyone that has done as much for our Country as you have, most certainly should get an invite to an affair run by the top SeaBee Reserve Unit in The United States.

Thank you for all you have done and are doing for my beloved United States Of America.

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Pres. SeaBee Assoc. Div. 3-17 USNR.

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First Annual Dance

TO BE HELD

April 26th, 1958

Whitestone Armory

150th Street and Sixth Avenue, Whitestone, N. Y.

*Refreshments admit all in
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Miss Maureen McManus
Henry Holt and Company, Inc.
383 Madison Avenue
New York 17, New York

Dear Miss McManus:

Your letter of April 21, with enclosures, has been received. I thought you would like to know that Mr. Hoover has sent a letter to the New York City Mission Society as you suggested, and of course, he referred to the letter you enclosed which bears Mr. Buckley's signature. I am enclosing a copy of his letter for your information.

It was kind of you to advise me that "Masters of Deceit" will be first on next Sunday's best seller list in the "New York Herald Tribune." This certainly is encouraging news.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

Clyde Tolson
Clyde Tolson

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April 21, 1958

Director
New York City Mission Society
Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church
Madison Avenue and 73 Street
New York, New York

Dear Sir:

I note in an article in yesterday's New York Times that a rally of four hundred high school students held by the New York City Mission Society took place Saturday.

They seem to be somewhat confused concerning communism. I note that several said that they had been "told to be against communism," but hadn't been "told about communism in an adult way."

Recently, we at Holt published MASTERS OF DECEIT by J. Edgar Hoover, which is the story of communism in America. Under separate cover we have sent you four copies to distribute as you see fit. Perhaps this would be of some help to these confused boys and girls who are anxious to play a part against communism if they know how to do it. They are, of course, sent with the compliments of the publisher.

With our very good wishes,

Sincerely,

* William H. Buckley

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Mr. Glyde Tolson
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Room 5744, Department of Justice Building
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Mr. Clyde Tolson
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice Building
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Tolson:

Many thanks for your very kind letter
and for sending me a carbon of Mr. Hoover's
reply to

I thought you might be interested in
seeing a copy of the letter which I wrote
over Mr. Buckley's signature to the New
York City Mission Society. It occurred
to me that you might be interested in
following through in some way, as this
sort of good will from the F.B.I. might
mean much to setting a group of confused
kids on the right track.

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With good wishes,

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Sincerely,

Maureen McManus
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P.S. Have just this minute learned that
MASTERS OF DECEIT is first on next Sunday's
bestseller list in the Herald Tribune!

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Clyde Tolson

TEEN SEMINAR CITES ADULT DELINQUENCY

N.Y. Times 4-20-58

Teen-agers from some of the city's toughest neighborhoods said yesterday that adults had some growing up to do.

The young people from Harlem, the lower East Side and sections of Brooklyn and the Bronx participated in a youth convention held by the New York City Mission Society in the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church at Seventy-third Street. About 400 high school students attended.

In a seminar on juvenile delinquency, it was said that adults did not understand teen-agers or their gangs, but "turned around and did the same thing" by forming armies and "telling us that because Russia has a satellite we should have a bigger one."

"If they want us to act like adults, why don't they?" a boy asked.

"It's legalized, that's the only difference," one girl said. Many stressed that a secure home and parental understanding were keys to preventing delinquency, though a few boys agreed that a youngster might have to "go with a gang to exist in a tough neighborhood."

In a seminar on communism, held at the request of the youngsters, several said that they had been "told to be against communism," but hadn't been "told about communism in an adult way."

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[Redacted]
391 Dallas Avenue
Mena, Arkansas

Dear [Redacted]

Your letter of April 18, 1958, has been received, and I do appreciate your very kind comments about my new book, "Masters of Deceit."

Communism is a menace to our free way of life, and you are to be commended for your willingness to fight this evil. America needs more young men with this attitude. It was thoughtful of you to furnish the information about the Russians. You may be sure that if any person gives data to the FBI and desires that his name be kept in confidence, we will honor his request.

You can do much to help fight communism. Most important is to learn the true facts about this atheistic doctrine. At all times we must wage our fight with full respect for the laws of the land. I am taking the liberty of enclosing some material about communism which I am sure will help answer your questions.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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April 18, 1957
Mena, Arkansas

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I have always admired you
for your fine work. But I
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important job you are doing
until I read Masters of Deceit,
one of the best books ever
written. I had never thought
much about the Communist
Menace until I read your
book. I detest Communism
so much that ~~you~~ ~~never~~
realize just how I detest it.
God will have no mercy on
them. I am going to fight
it all I can, ~~although~~ although
I can never hope to duplicate

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Your great work, you may wonder
what I want, you may think
it is foolish, but it is not
if our country is in danger.
Recently some Russian & German
U-Boats arrived in our
country to wrestle our
U-Boats. They passed through
Oklahoma. I saw a picture
in the Oklahoma papers of
the Russians taking pictures.
Surely they aim to do something
sinister with those pictures.
I wish you would investigate.
Please do not laugh. It may
seem funny but not to me.
Also please answer some questions.
Can I do very much to stamp
out Communism? It might
help you to know that
I'll do all I can. If I knew
someone who was suspected

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I would be glad to turn them in.
Does the FBI have a list
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Why is the party not outlawed
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Best wishes for a happy America

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 301 Dallas Avenue
 Mena, Arkansas

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